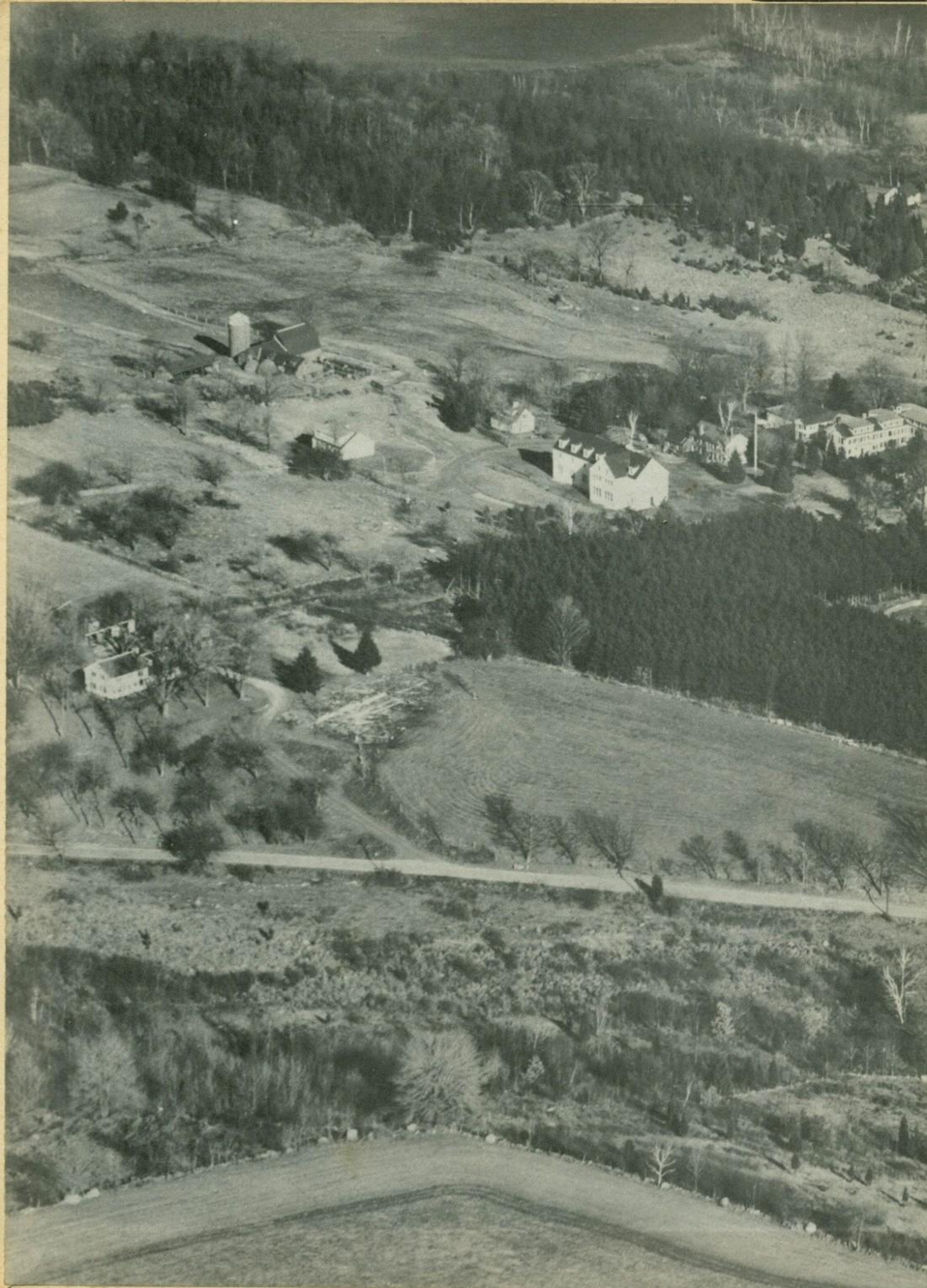




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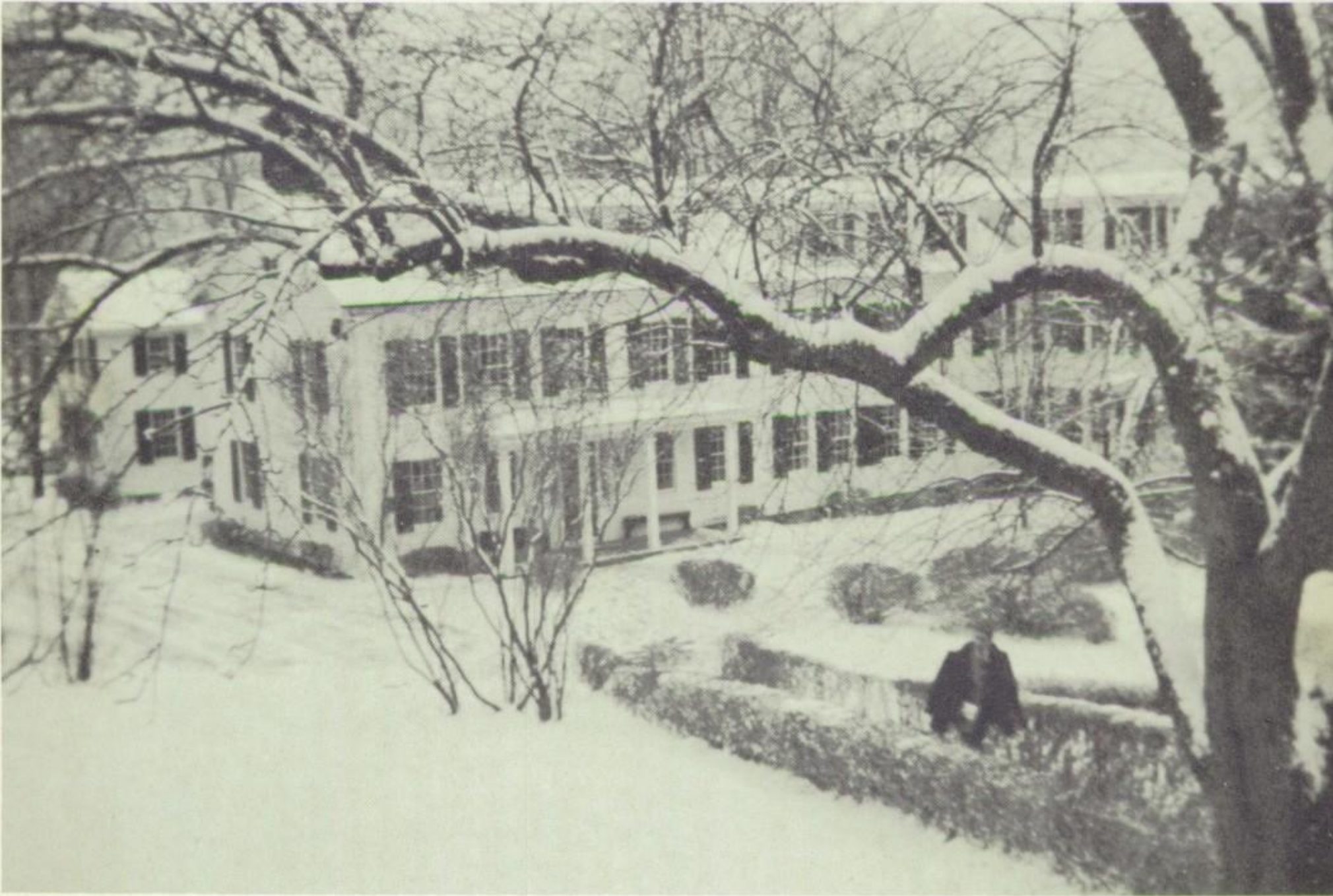
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YEARBOOK



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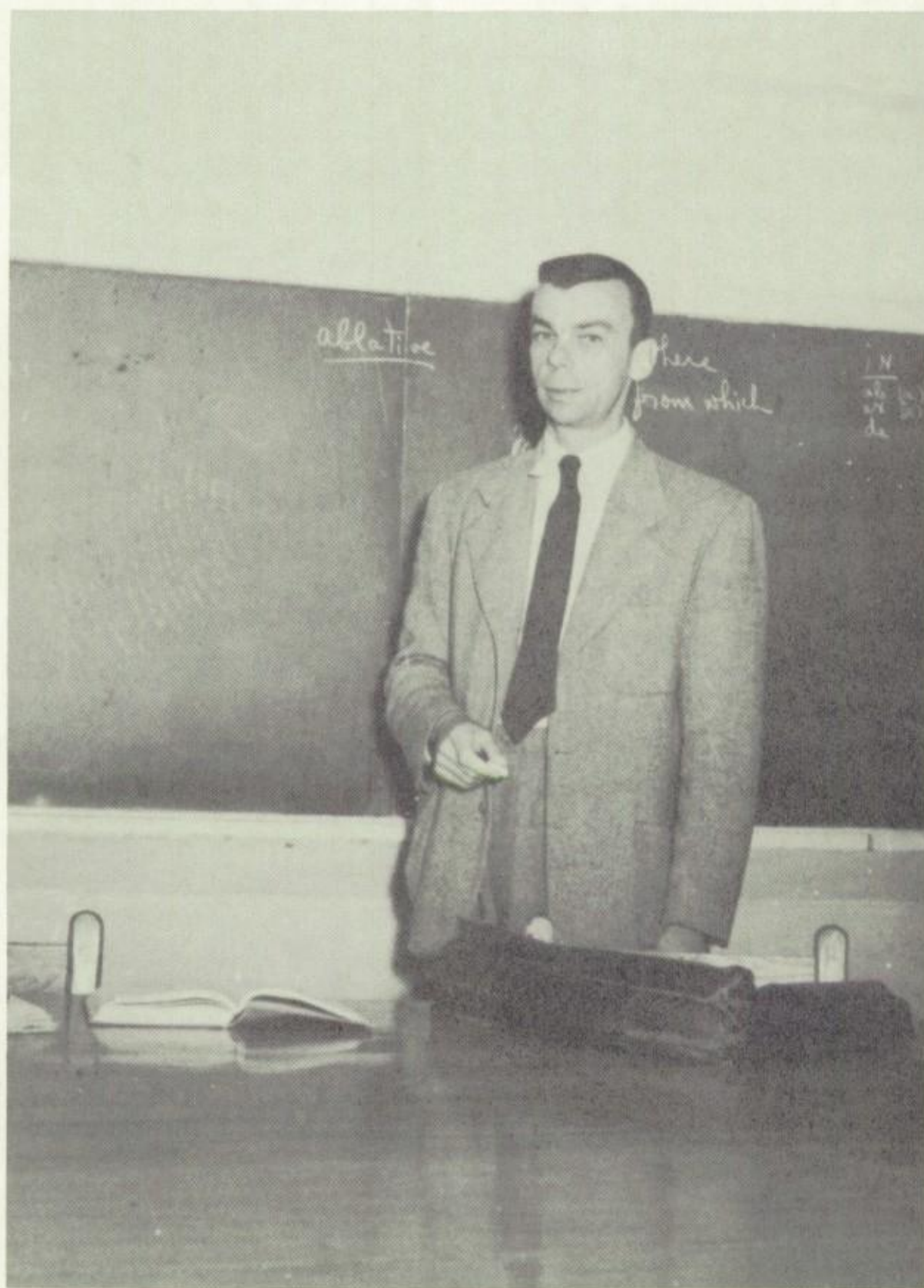
THE CLASS OF 1955

The Class of 1955 gratefully dedicates this
Yearbook to JULIUS EARLL WALLER.

Mr. Waller was born in Schenectady, New York, in December 1916, and came to South Kent in 1931 as a Third Former. He participated in several student activities, and after graduating in 1935, went on to Princeton, where he majored in modern language, and from which he graduated in 1939. With the beginning of World War II, he joined the Air Force and was stationed in different places over the world. His marriage with the former Ann Thompson followed shortly thereafter, and the couple now has a family of three daughters. Mr. Waller re-entered South Kent life in 1947, when he joined the faculty as a teacher of French and Latin.

Since then he has added much to South Kent, by coaching several sports and by conscientiously helping students along the road to academic success, both in and outside the classroom.

It is in thanks for these contributions, and the many others Mr. Waller has made during his stay at South Kent, that the Sixth Form respectfully dedicates this Yearbook to him.





THE FACULTY

SAMUEL S. BARTLETT, *Headmaster*
L. WYNNE WISTER, *Assistant Headmaster*
RICHARD M. CUYLER, *Senior Master*

Samuel A. Woodward
Rev. Parker C. Webb
Lester Wittenberg, Jr.
Thomas B. Dingman
Martin A. Henry
Charles P. Whittemore
Joseph J. Brown, Jr.

Francis C. Cady
Julius E. Waller
Richard M. Booth
James P. Humphreys, Jr.
Frederick W. Goode
R. Bruce Small
Leonard D. Adkins

Arthur R. Smith



SAMUEL S. BARTLETT, B.S.

HEADMASTER

Kent 1918, LaFayette 1922
Appointed Headmaster in 1923
On leave of absence 1953-1954

RICHARD M. CUYLER, A.B.

SENIOR MASTER

English and Latin

Kent 1918, Princeton 1923
Appointed Senior Master in 1923



L. WYNNE WISTER, A.B., M.A.

ASSISTANT HEADMASTER

Latin and English

Princeton 1936
Joined South Kent Faculty in 1941
On leave of absence with U. S. Army 1942-1946
Rejoined South Kent Faculty in 1946

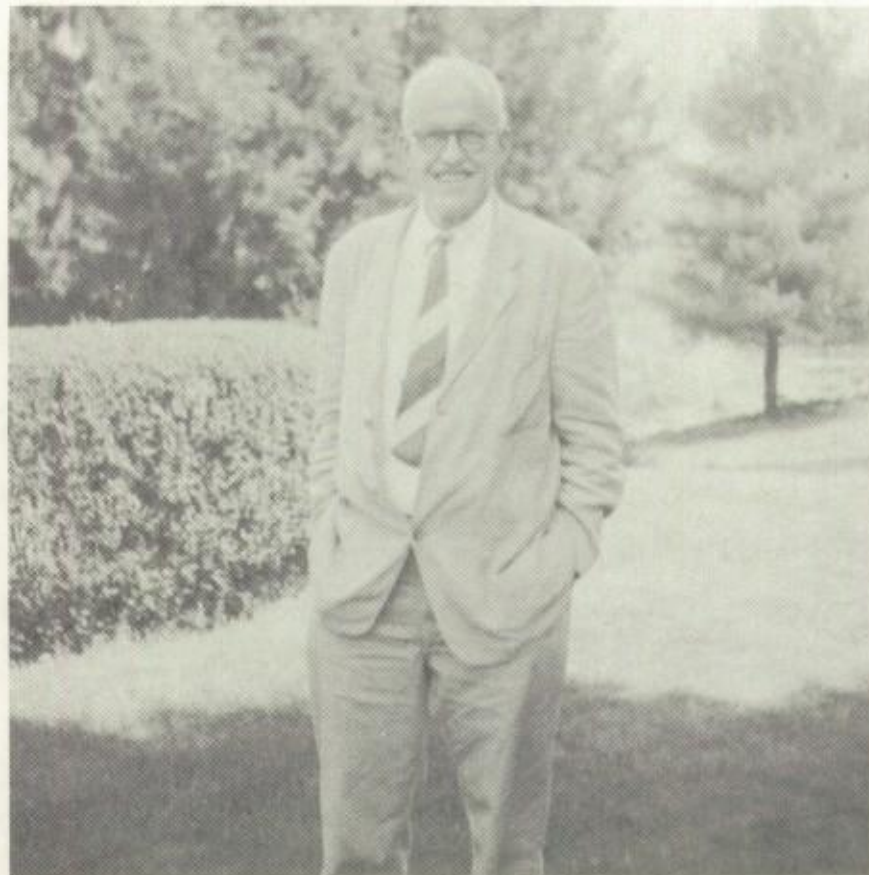
SAMUEL A. WOODWARD, A.B.

BUSINESS MANAGER

History

Yale 1924

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1926



REV. PARKER C. WEBB, A.B.

CHAPLAIN

Religion

St. Paul's 1921, Williams 1925

General Theological Seminary 1928

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1952

LESTER WITTENBERG, JR., A.B.

English

South Kent 1933, Yale 1937

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1938

On leave of absence with U. S. Army 1942-1946

Rejoined South Kent Faculty in 1946





THOMAS B. DINGMAN, B.S., M.A.

Physics and Chemistry

Kent 1932

Williams 1933-1935, Columbia 1936

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1942

MARTIN A. HENRY, A.B., M.A., Ph.D.

LIBRARIAN

French

Princeton 1935

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1943



CHARLES P. WHITTEMORE, A.B., M.A.

History

On leave of absence 1954-1955

South Kent 1939, Williams 1943

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1943

Columbia 1947

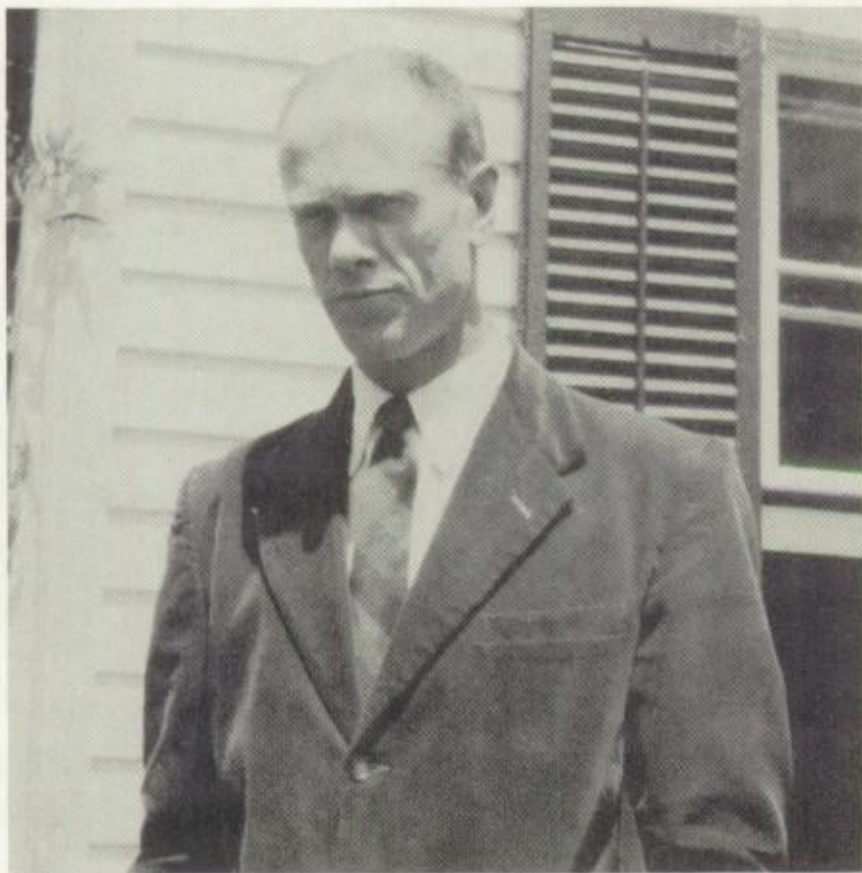
Rejoined South Kent Faculty in 1948

JOSEPH J. BROWN, JR., A.B.

English and Mathematics

Princeton 1936

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1947



FRANCIS C. CADY, A.B., LL.B.

Latin

Kent 1934, Yale 1938

Harvard Law School 1941

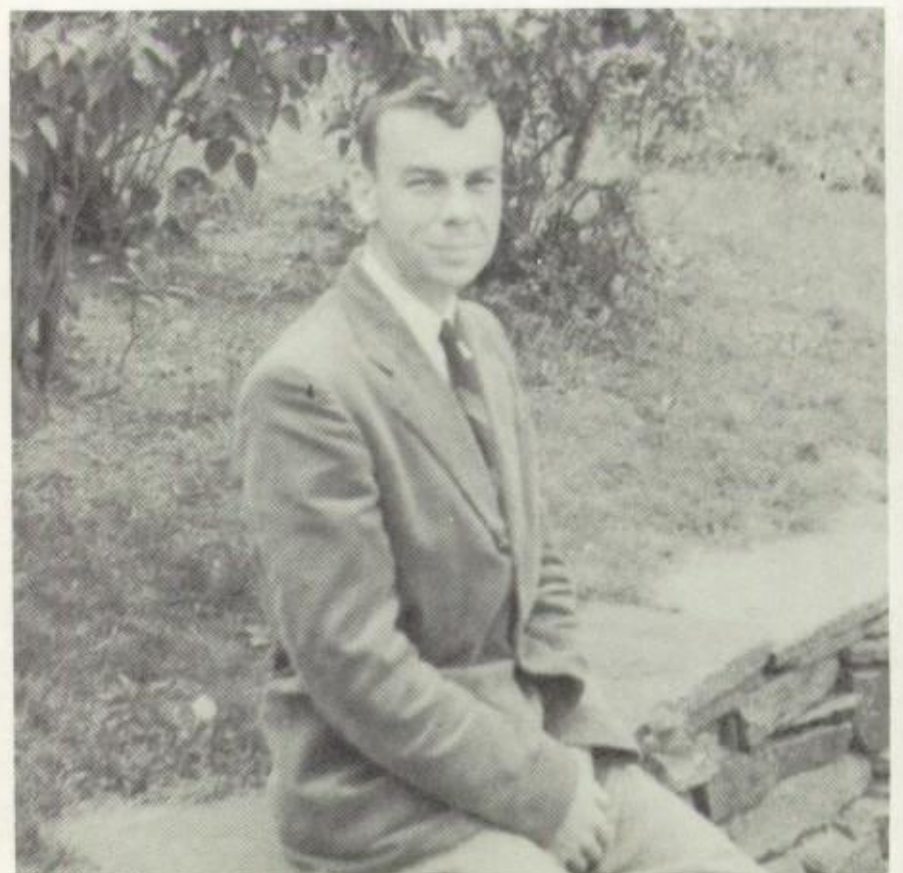
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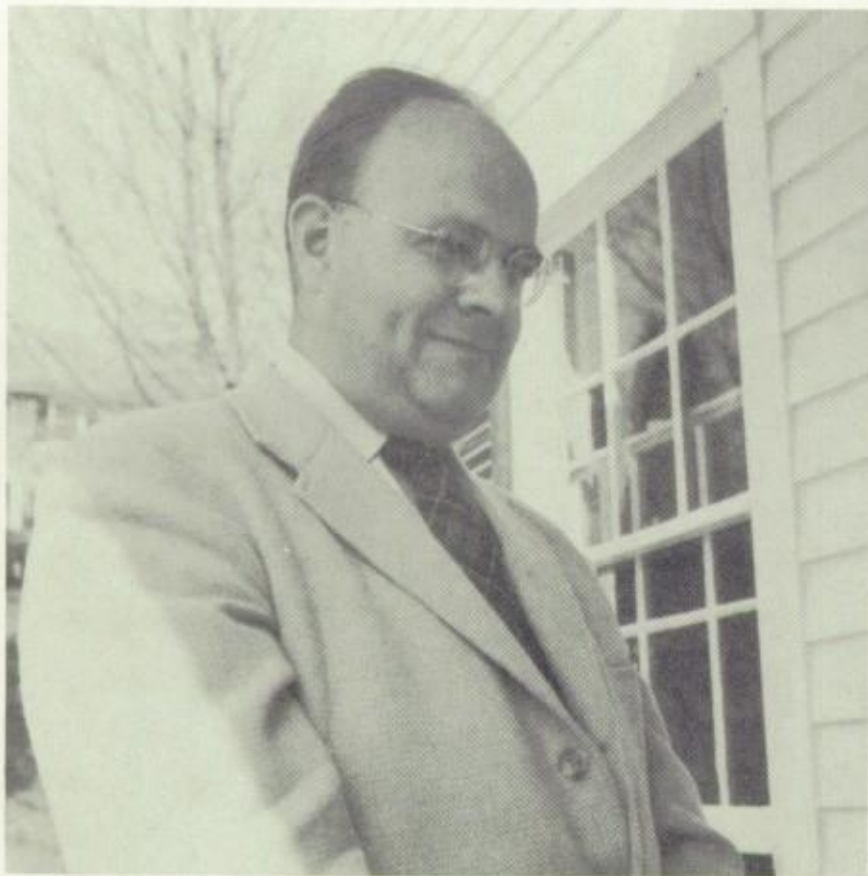
JULIUS E. WALLER, A.B.

Latin and French

South Kent 1935, Princeton 1939

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1947





RICHARD M. BOOTH, A.B.

Music

Kent 1938, Columbia 1942
Joined South Kent Faculty in 1947

JAMES P. HUMPHREYS, JR., A.B.

Mathematics

Kent 1943, Williams 1948
Joined South Kent Faculty in 1949



FREDERICK W. GOODE, A.B.

English

Princeton 1947
Joined South Kent Faculty in 1950
On leave of absence with U. S. Navy 1951-1953

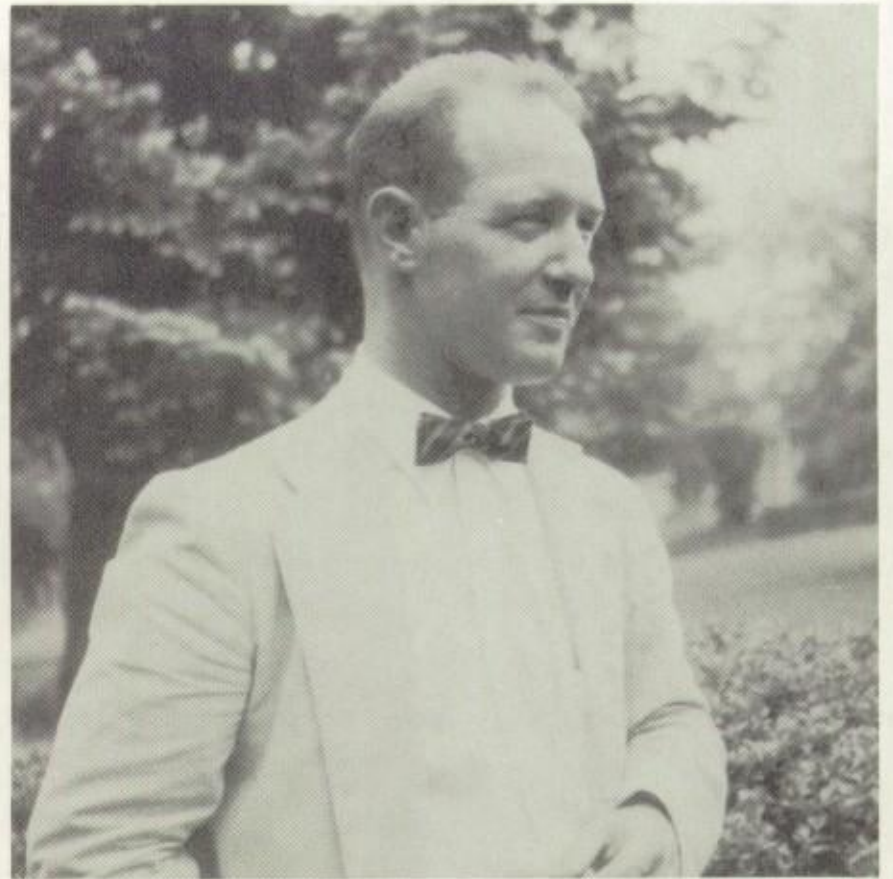


R. BRUCE SMALL, A.B.

History

Marietta 1951

Joined South Kent Faculty in 1951



LEONARD D. ADKINS, B.A.

History

Williams 1952

Joined South Kent Faculty 1954

ARTHUR R. SMITH, A.B.

Mathematics

Yale 1932

Joined South Kent Faculty 1954



THE STAFF

This year the staff received two new members: Mrs. Baruth, who has taken over the running of the student banking account and helps Miss Bull in her spare time, and Paul Austin, who helps in the kitchen. Jim Anderson also worked in the kitchen for short periods in the winter and spring terms in place of Harry Hoffman.

The rest of the staff has continued to carry on in its usual capacity, maintaining the high standard of work for which the school is unfeignedly thankful.



Tom Boyd



Mrs. Martin



Mrs. Baruth and Miss Bull



Miss Woodruff



Miss Frost, Mrs. Lyon, and nephew

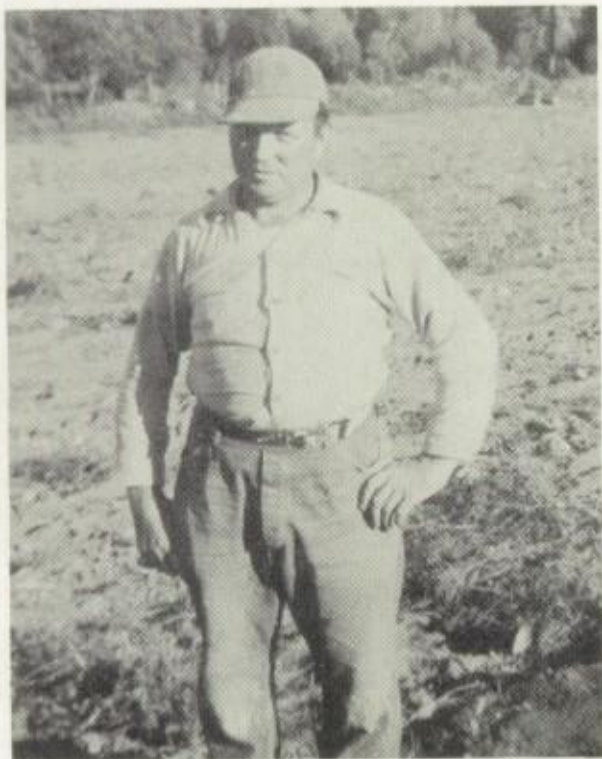
CULINARY ARTS AND AGRICULTURE



Martin



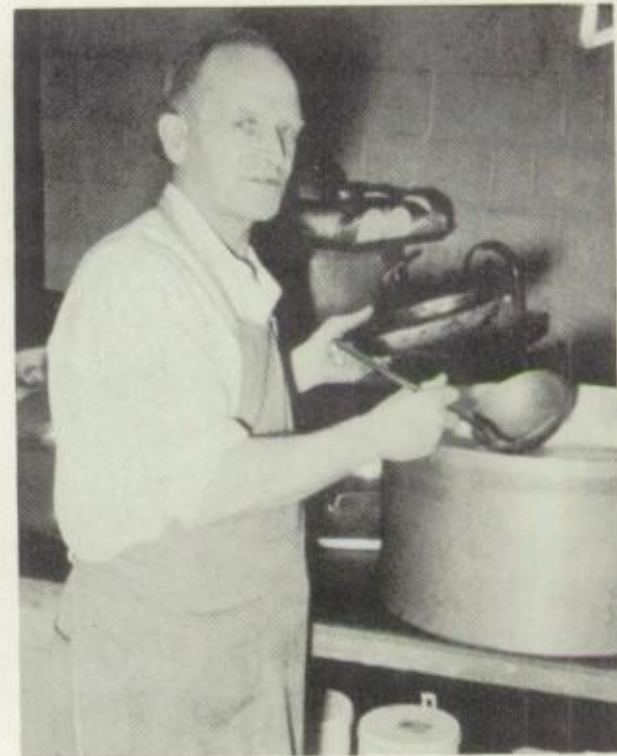
Kai Sorenson



John Deak



Vic Deak



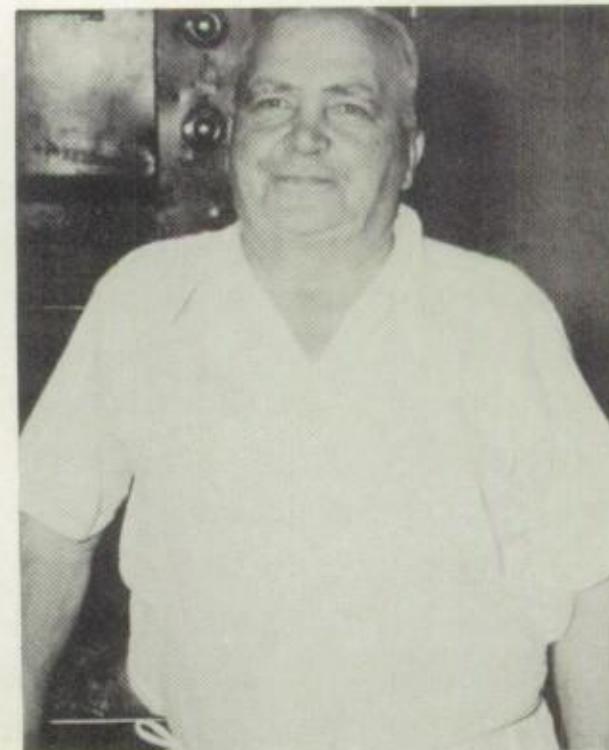
Len Christian



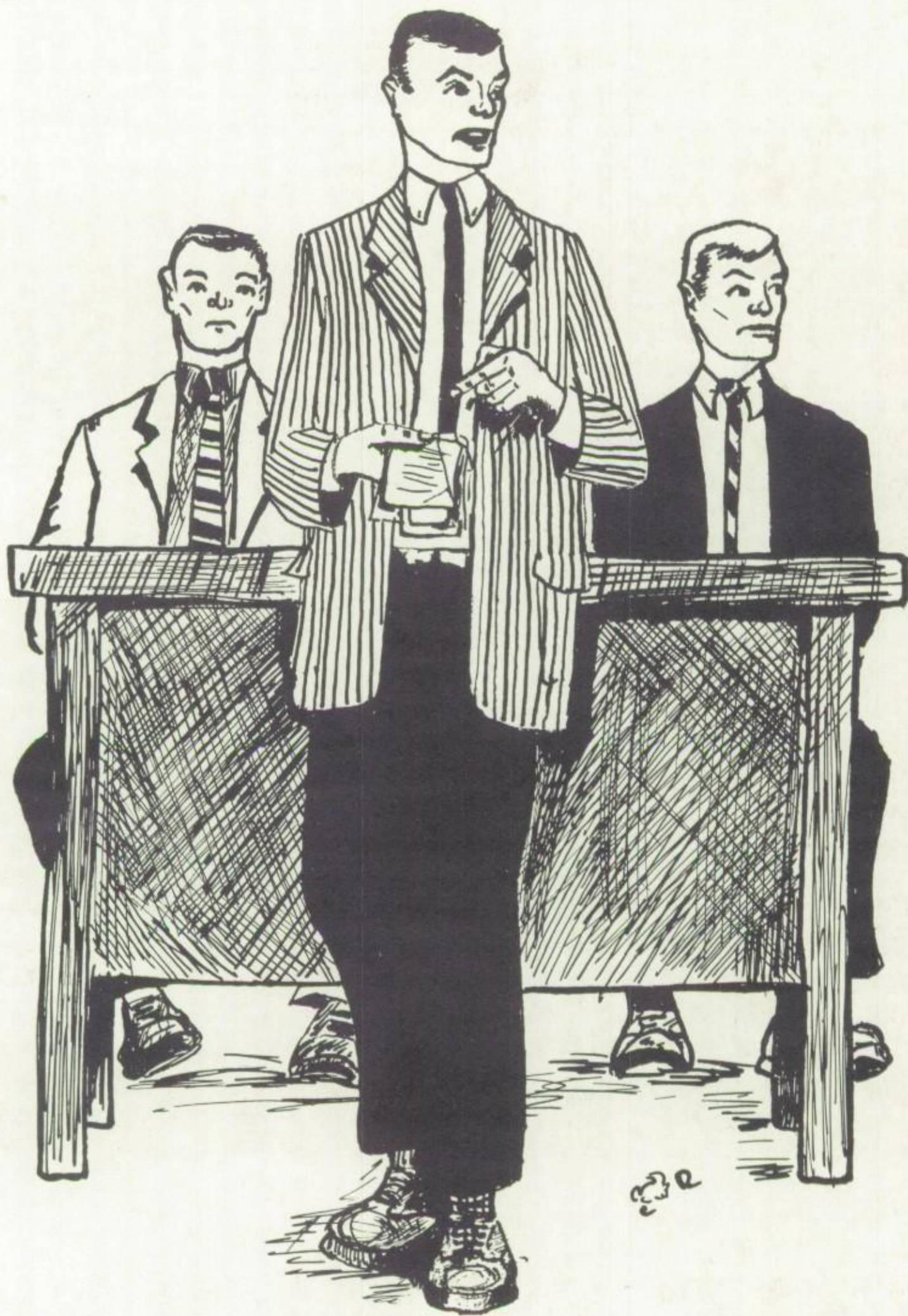
Harry Hoffman



Paul Austin



Jim Anderson



THE SIXTH FORM

THE CLASS OF 1955



Back row: Puffer, Reid. Third row: Skillman, True, Carn-
wath, Gibbons, R., Cantus, H., Pritchard, Lovell. Second
row: White, Butterworth, Hart, Fox, Lanham, Hansen. Front

row: Taylor, C., Finch, J., Lee, R., Ober, (Pres.); Daly,
W., Williams, Taylor, W.

Cum Laude

J. Warner Butterworth, II
A. Shawhan Fox
David P. Ober
Richard F. Puffer



Prize Day Exodus

PRIZE DAY AWARDS

| | |
|---|---|
| The Headmaster's Cup..... | Donald P. Hart |
| Head of the School..... | J. Warner Butterworth, II |
| Head of the Sixth Form..... | Richard F. Puffer, Jr. |
| Head of the Fifth Form..... | John P. Richardson |
| Head of the Fourth Form..... | Francis D. R. Coleman |
| Head of the Third Form..... | Robert B. Waldner |
| Head of the Second Form..... | Stephen P. Graveraux |
| Scholastic Improvement Cup..... | William F. C. Taylor |
| George Hodges Bartlett Memorial Prize in English..... | A. Shawhan Fox |
| History Prize..... | H. Hollister Cantus |
| Science Prize..... | J. Warner Butterworth, II |
| Latin Prize..... | David P. Ober |
| French Prize..... | William F. C. Taylor |
| Connecticut Harvard Club Prize..... | Robert H. Hastings |
| Mathematics Prize..... | A. Shawhan Fox |
| Intramural Competition, Club Award..... | Cardinals Charles L. Taylor, III, Captain |
| Intramural Competition, Individual Award..... | A. Shawhan Fox |
| Dramatic Plaque..... | Arthur M. Moody, III |
| Art Prize..... | Legaré Cuyler |
| Cup for Dining Room Work..... | Peter W. Lee |
| Best All Around Athlete..... | Walter J. Daly, Jr. |
| Gordon K. McCoun Baseball Trophy..... | Walter J. Daly, Jr. |
| Richard P. Hart, Jr., Memorial Crew Cup..... | Donald P. Hart |
| George H. Huntington, III, Tennis Cup..... | David P. Ober |
| Best All Around Junior Athlete..... | David E. Wheelock |
| Hockey Plaque (Captain of the Winning League Team)..... | Donald P. Hart |
| Henry D. Booth Crew Cup..... | David B. Skillman, Jr. |
| The Kiwi (Winner of the Mile)..... | Robert E. Gibbons |
| Chess Cup..... | A. Shawhan Fox |
| Connatonic Baseball League Championship..... | South Kent First Team Charles and William Taylor, Captains |



JAMES WARNER BUTTERWORTH, II

Princeton

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Born January 3, 1937

Entered South Kent September 1951

Football '51, '52, '53, '54

Hockey '52, '53, '54, League Captain '55

Baseball '52, '53, SKS '54

Crew '55

Pigtail Board '53, '54, '55

Yearbook Board '55

Dramatics '51, '52, '53, '54

Kitchen Squad '52, '53, '54, '55

Cardinal

Postmaster

Head of the School 1953, 1955

HOWARD HOLLISTER CANTUS

Williams

Hewlett, New York

Born November 16, 1937

Entered South Kent September 1951

Football '51, '52, '54

Hockey '52, '53, '54, League Captain '55

Baseball '52, '53, SKS '54 '55

Pigtail Board '53, '54, Editor-in-Chief '55

Yearbook '55

Dramatics '52, '53, '54

Glee Club '52, '54, '55

Chess Team '54

Camera Club '52

Kitchen Squad '53, '54, '55

Cardinal

Inspector



DAVID WOOD CARNWATH

Pennsylvania State University

Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

Born October 1, 1936

Entered South Kent September 1954

Football '54

Hockey '55

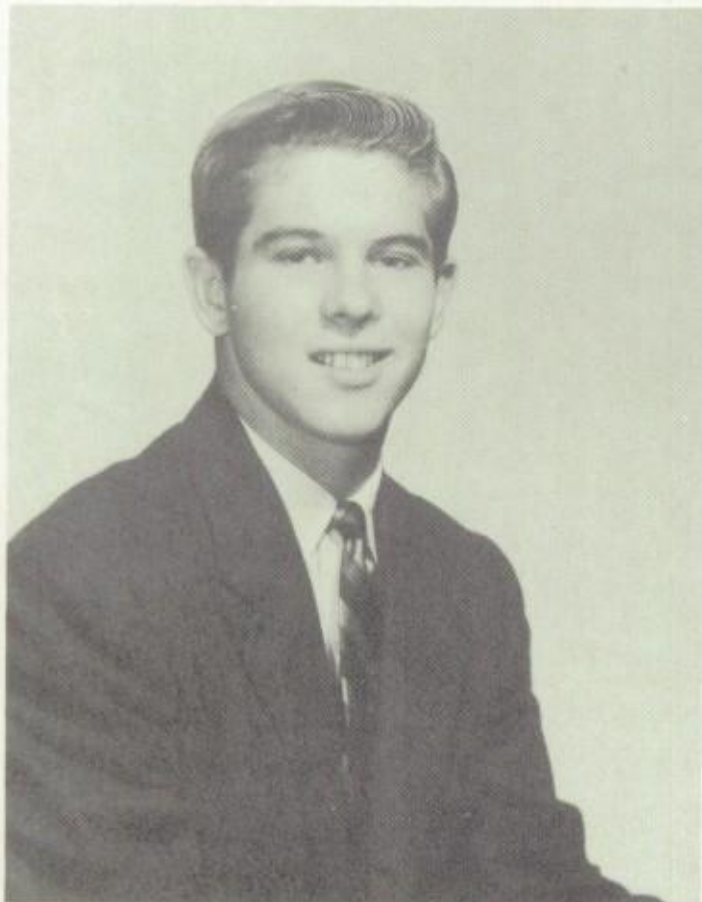
Tennis '55

Glee Club '55

Kitchen Squad '55

Cardinal

Inspector



WALTER JOHN DALY, JR.

St. Lawrence

Westport, Connecticut

Born August 20, 1936
 Entered South Kent September 1950
 Football '50, SKS '52, '53, Captain '54
 Hockey '51, '52, SKS '53, '54, Captain '55
 Baseball '51, SKS '52, '53, '54, '55
 Pigtail Board '55
 Yearbook '55
 Glee Club '55
 Camera Club '51
 Kitchen Squad '52, '53, '54, '55
 Nativity Play '54
 Black
 Student Council '55
 Prefect

JAMES KIP FINCH, II

Trinity

New Canaan, Connecticut

Born May 5, 1937
 Entered South Kent September 1950
 Football '50, '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
 Hockey '51, '52, '53, '54, League Captain '55
 Baseball '51, '52, '53, '54, '55
 Dramatics '52, '54
 Glee Club '51, '55
 Chess Team '54, '55
 Art Club '54, '55
 Kitchen Squad '53, '54, '55
 Nativity Play '50
 Cardinal
 Inspector



ABIJAH SHAWHAN FOX

Yale

Greenwich, Connecticut

Born September 28, 1937
 Entered South Kent September 1950
 Crew '52, SKS '53, '54, '55
 Pigtail Board '55
 Yearbook, Editor-in-Chief '55
 Dramatics '52, '53, '54, '55
 Public Speaking '52, '53, '54, '55
 Chess Team '52, '53, '54, '55
 Nativity Play '51
 Cardinal
 Librarian
 Head of the School 1952





ROBERT ERNEST GIBBONS

Tufts

Tuckers Town, Bermuda

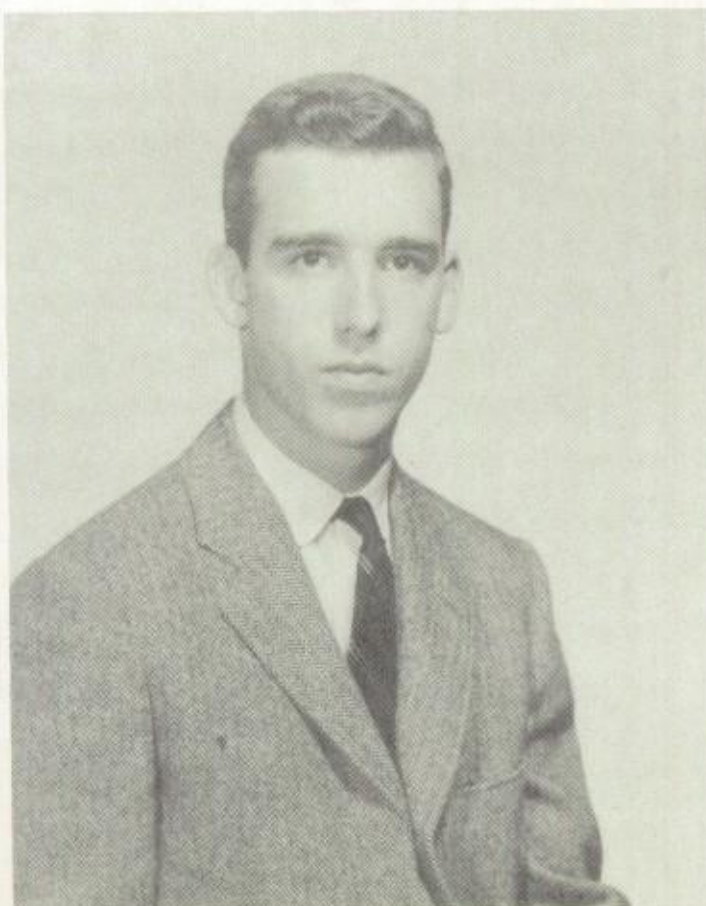
Born June 2, 1936
Entered South Kent September 1952
Football '52, '53, SKS '54
Hockey '53, '54, League Captain '55
Baseball '53, '54
Crew SKS '55
Yearbook '53
Dramatics '53
Camera Club '53
Kitchen Squad '54, '55
Nativity Play '54
Black
Sacristan

JOHN ERICH HANSEN

Duke

Delray Beach, Florida

Born June 16, 1937
Entered South Kent September 1951
Football '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
Hockey '52, '53, '54, League Captain '55
Baseball '52
Crew '54, SKS '55
Glee Club '54, '55
Kitchen Squad '53, '54, '55
Black
Truck and Kitchen List

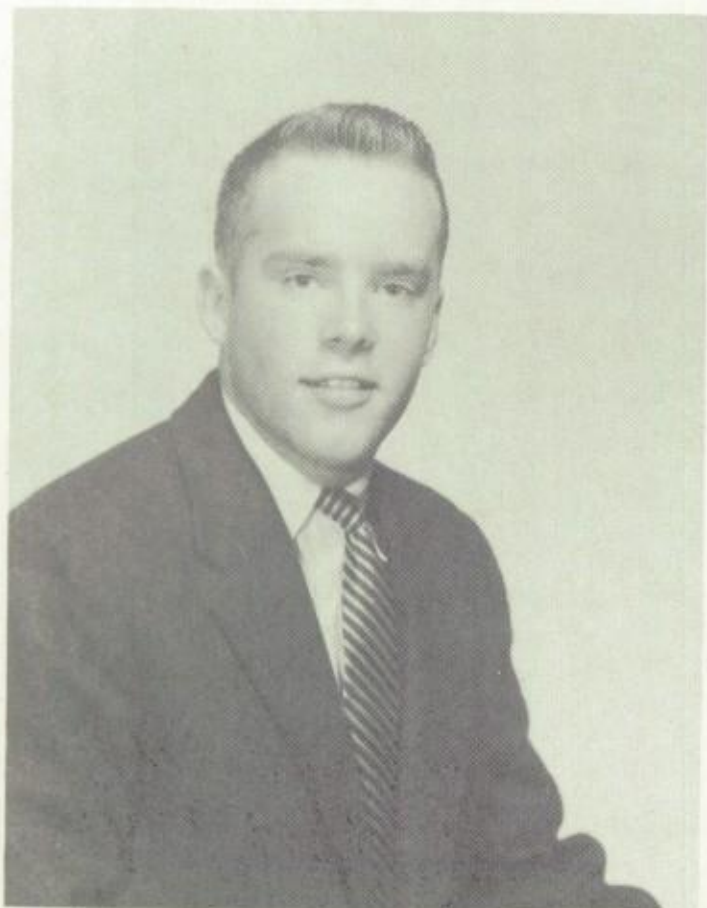


DONALD PURPLE HART

Williams

Stamford, Connecticut

Born April 22, 1937
Entered South Kent September 1951
Football '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
Hockey '52, '53, '54, League Captain '55
Crew '52, SKS '53, '54, Captain '55
Dramatics '55
Glee Club '55
Kitchen Squad '53, '54, '55
Nativity Play '54
Black
Form President '52, '53
Student Council '53, '54, '55
Senior Prefect



TIMOTHY DAVIS LANHAM

New York, New York

Born August 19, 1937
Entered South Kent September 1951
Football '51, '52, '53, '54
Hockey (Mgr.) '52, '53, SKS '54, '55
Crew '52, '53, '54, SKS '55
Yearbook Board '55
Dramatics '53, '54, '55
Kitchen Squad '53, '54, '55
Cardinal
Office

ROBERT BELLAFANT LEE

Brown

Truro, Massachusetts

Born August 20, 1936
Entered South Kent September 1950
Football '50, '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
Hockey '51, '52, '53, '54, League Captain '55
Baseball '51, '52, SKS '53, '54, '55
Yearbook Board '55
Dramatics '54
Kitchen Squad '52, '53, '54, '55
Nativity Play '54
Black
Student Council '55
Prefect

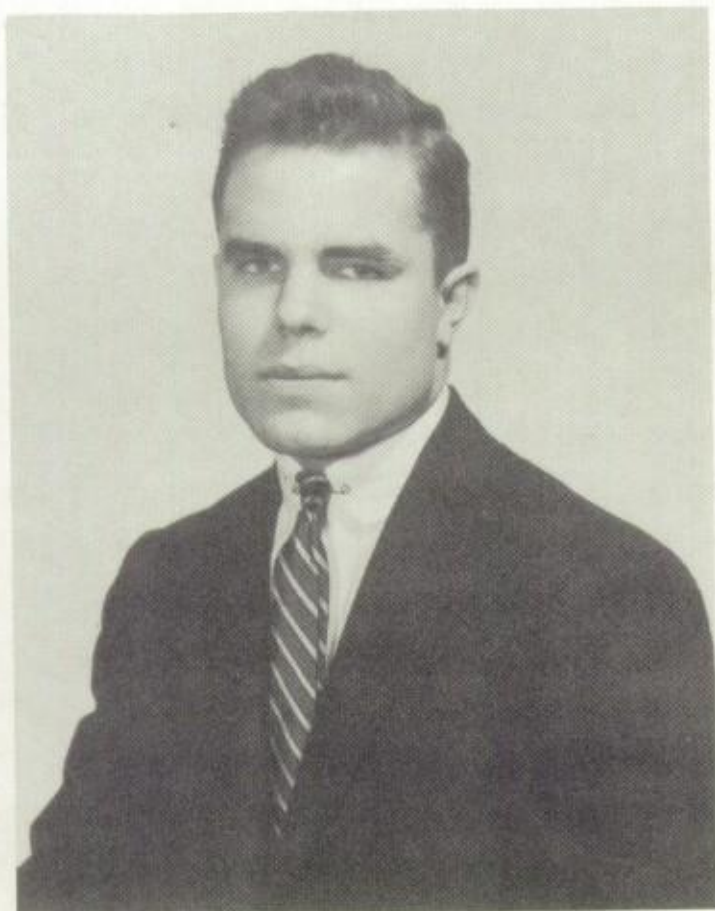


JAMES RUSSELL LOVELL

Cornell

Sewickley, Pennsylvania

Born March 30, 1937
Entered South Kent September 1953
Football '53, SKS '54
Hockey '54, '55
Crew '54, '55
Kitchen Squad '54, '55
Nativity Play '54
Black
Truck



DAVID PETER OBER

Princeton

Geneva, Illinois

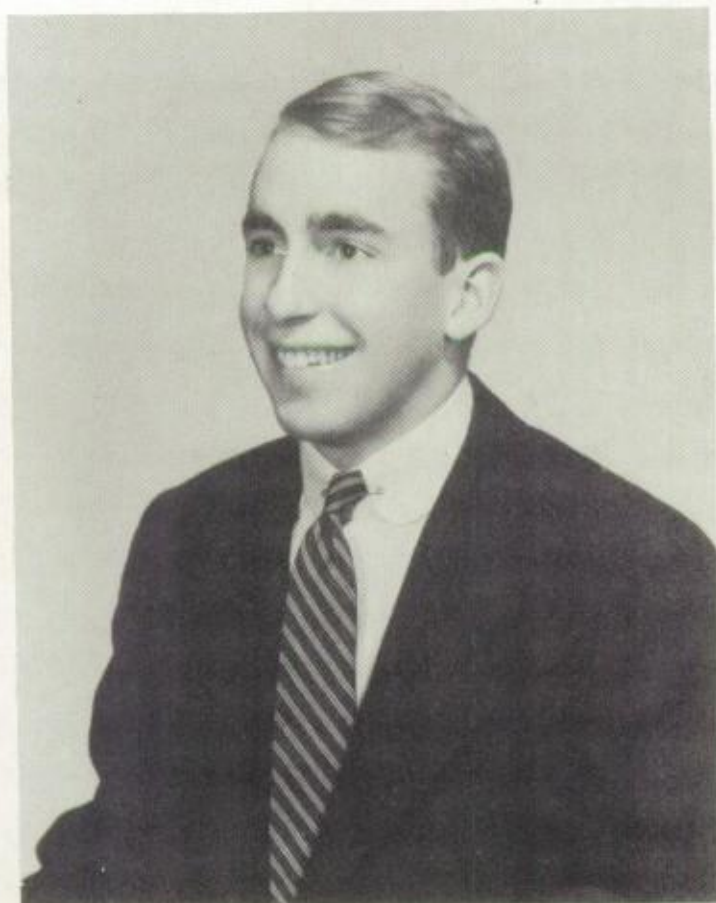
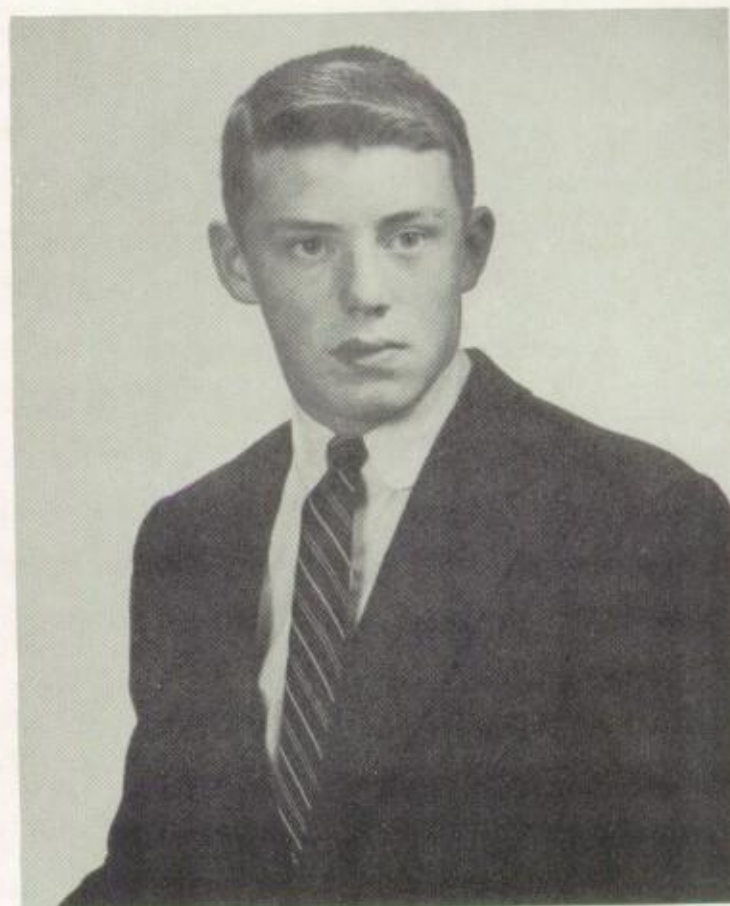
Born October 26, 1936
Entered South Kent September 1950
Football '50, '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
Hockey '51, '52, '53, SKS '54, '55
Crew '51
Tennis '52, '53, SKS '54, Captain '55
Yearbook '55
Kitchen Squad '53, '54, '55
Nativity Play '54
Black
Form President '51, '54, '55
Student Council '53, '54, '55
Sub-Prefect
Head of the School 1951

CRAIG LA GRANGE PRITCHARD

Hamilton

Johnson City, New York

Born May 16, 1938
Entered South Kent September 1952
Football '52, '53, '54
Hockey '53, '54, '55
Baseball '53
Tennis '54, '55
Yearbook '55
Dramatics '55
Glee Club '54, '55
Kitchen Squad '54, '55
Cardinal
Inspector

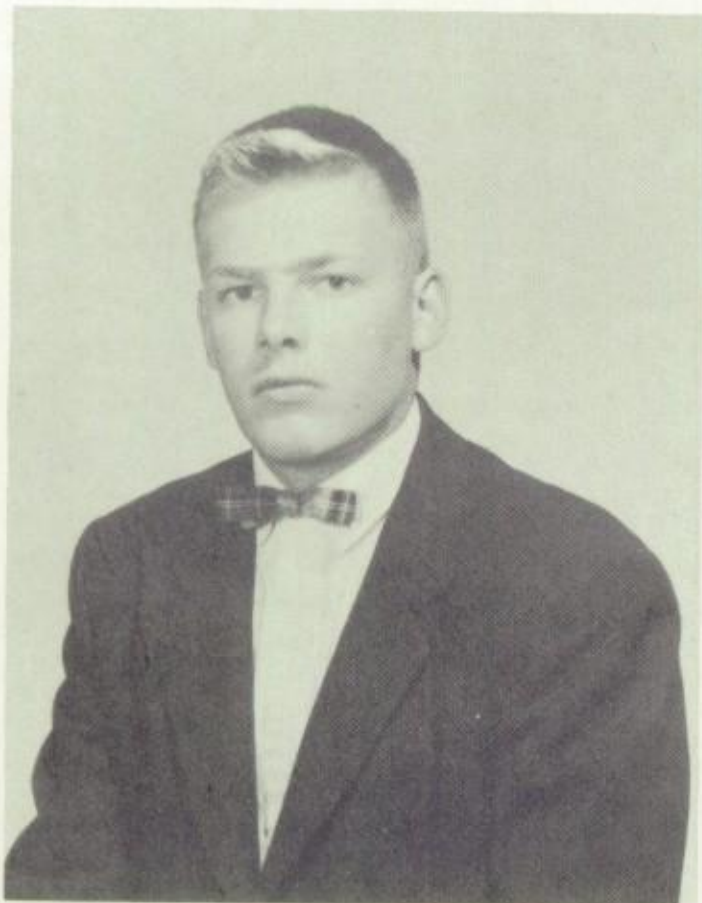


RICHARD FRANCIS PUFFER, JR.

Princeton

Middlebury, Connecticut

Born May 12, 1937
Entered South Kent September 1951
Football '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
Hockey '52, '53, SKS '54, '55
Baseball '52
Tennis '53, '54, SKS '55
Glee Club '54, '55
Camera Club '51
Kitchen Squad '53, '54, '55
Black (Captain '55)
Inspector



CHARLES CLARK REID

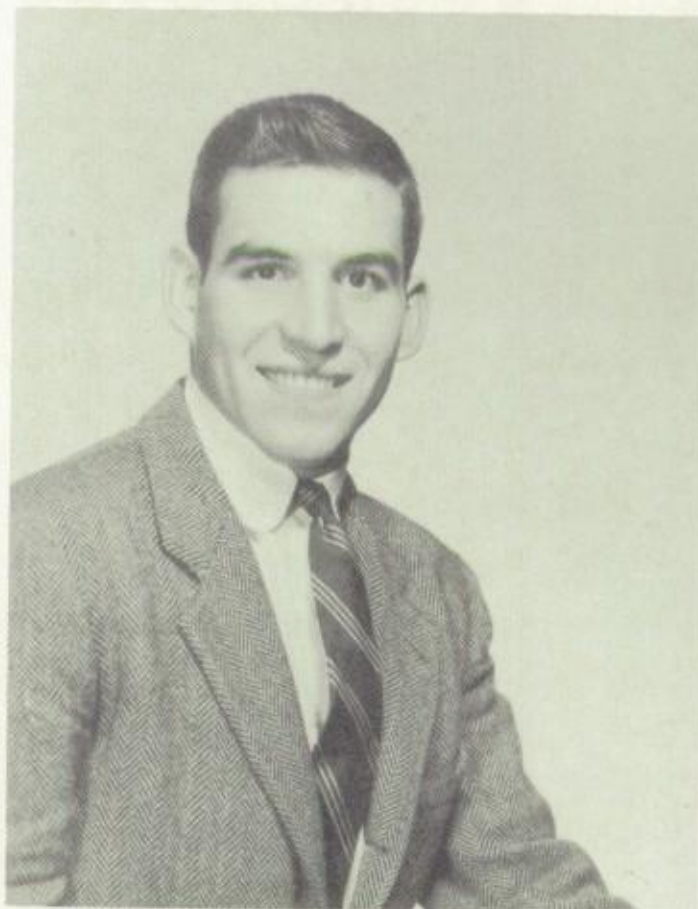
University of Vermont
Greenwich, New York

Born August 12, 1937
Entered South Kent September 1952
Football '52, '53
Hockey '53, '54
Crew '53, '54, '55
Pigtail Board '55
Yearbook '55
Dramatics '53
Kitchen Squad
Cardinal
Inspector and Bookstore

DAVID BISHOP SKILLMAN, JR.

Easton, Pennsylvania

Born July 10, 1936
Entered South Kent September 1951
Football '51, SKS '52, '53, '54
Hockey '52, Numerals '53, SKS '54, '55
Baseball '52, '53
Crew '54, SKS '55
Yearbook Board '55
Dramatics '52, '53, '55
Glee Club '54, '55
Kitchen Squad '52, '53, '54, '55
Black
Yards and Porches, and Fire Chief



CHARLES LINCOLN TAYLOR, III

Bowdoin

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Born June 1, 1937
Entered South Kent September 1950
Football '50, '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
Hockey '51, '52, '53, SKS '54, '55
Baseball '51, SKS '52, '53, '54, Co-Captain '55
Pigtail Board '53, '54, '55
Yearbook Board '55
Dramatics '55
Glee Club '51
Camera Club '51
Art Club '51
Kitchen Squad '54, '55
Nativity Play '54
Cardinal (Lieutenant '54, Captain '55)
Headwaiter



WILLIAM FOSDICK CHAMBERLIN TAYLOR

Williams

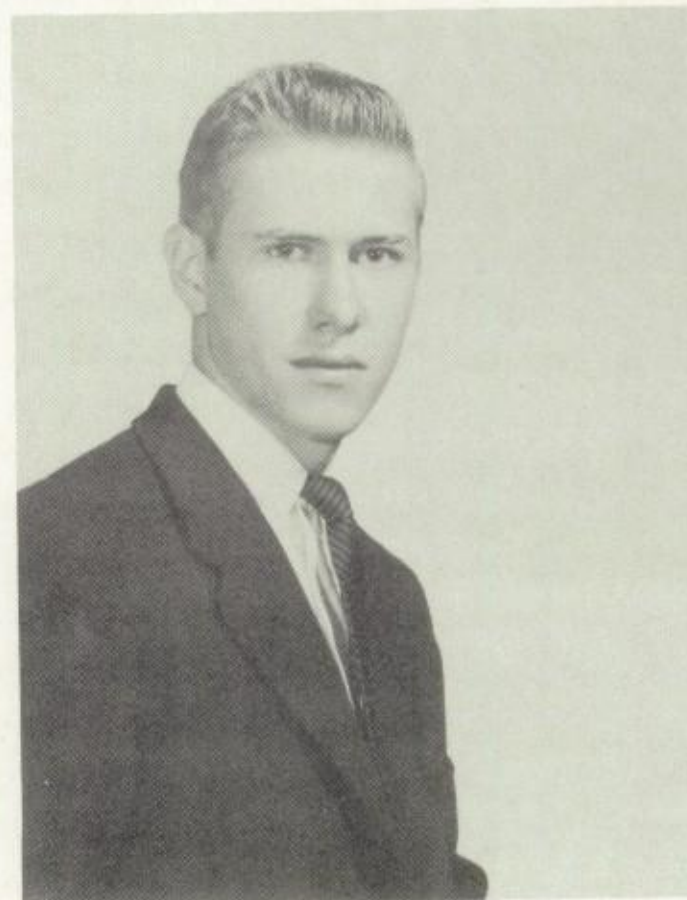
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Born June 1, 1937
 Entered South Kent September 1950
 Football '50, '51, '52, '53, SKS '54
 Hockey '51, '52, '53, SKS '54, '55
 Baseball '51, '52, SKS '53, Co-Captain '55
 Pigtail Board '53, '54, '55
 Yearbook Board '55
 Dramatics '54, '55
 Glee Club '51
 Kitchen Squad '53, '54 '55
 Nativity Play '50, '54
 Black
 Headwaiter

PETER TRUE

University of Delaware
 Wilmington, Delaware

Born December 10, 1936
 Entered South Kent September 1954
 Football '54
 Hockey '55
 Crew '55
 Yearbook '55
 Glee Club '55
 Kitchen Squad '55
 Cardinal
 Inspector



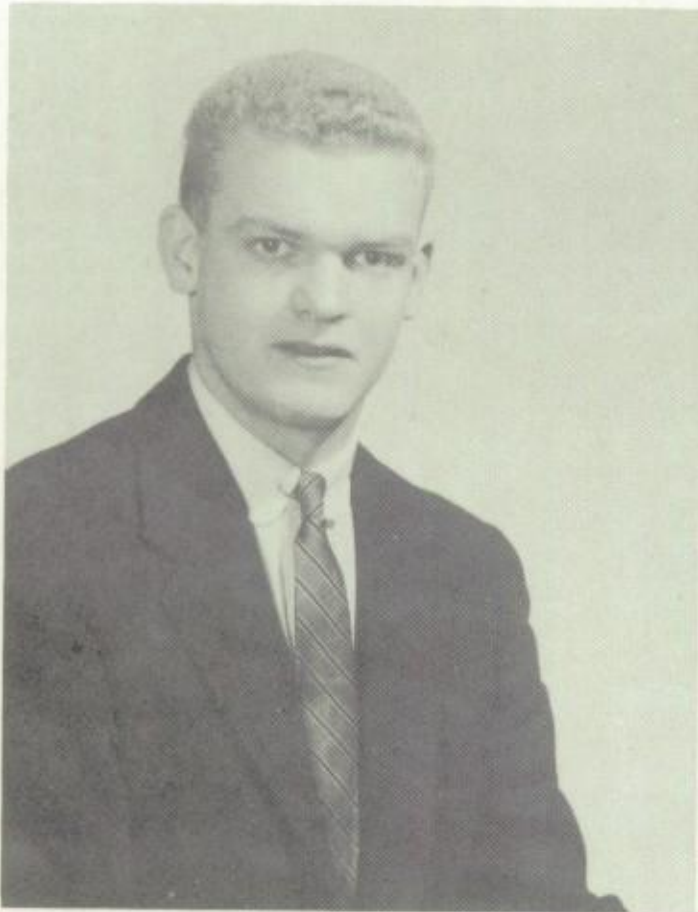
FOSTER SINCLAIR WHITE

Leicester

Stamford, Connecticut

Born February 8, 1936
 Entered South Kent September 1951
 Football '51, '52, '53, '54
 Hockey '52, '53, '54, '55
 Baseball '52, '53, '54, '55
 Dramatics '52, '54
 Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55
 Public Speaking '52, '53
 Kitchen Squad '54, '55
 Cardinal
 Infirmary





ROBERT WELLINGTON WILLIAMS, JR.

Leicester

South Orleans, Massachusetts

Born December 6, 1935

Entered South Kent September 1950

Football '50, '51, '52, '53, SKS '54

Hockey '51, '52, '53, '54, '55

Baseball '51, '52, '53, '54, SKS '55

Art Club '51

Kitchen Squad '52, '53, '54, '55

Cardinal

Inspector

ONETIME MEMBERS OF OUR FORM

William L. Betts

Ernest H. Cady, III

Pinney H. Colton

Donald L. Diefendorf

David L. Grambs

Frederick C. Lawrence, Jr.

John Neilson

Allen F. Richards

Christopher Ward

Peter M. Wise



The Sixth Form Informally

Its History

On the evening of September 26, 1950, 128 students gather in the Schoolroom on Spooner Hill for the start of South Kent's 28th year . . . The Old Man, standing in new white saddle shoes, speaks optimistically and welcomes the new boys. All told there are 37 of them, and they come from eight states, the District of Columbia, Canada, and New Jersey. Fifteen are Second Formers, but only six will survive to tell the tale of life at South Kent during the next five years.

As all South Kent boys undoubtedly have done, we spent the greater part of our first days acclimatizing; we came from the city smog to the country air, from the blaring of the radio to the silence of the newspapers, from vacuum cleaners to brooms. In mind, we had to adjust from Yankee truth to Southern bull, in voice, and more slowly, from soprano to bass.

Other than the fall foliage, there was little to write home about. On Thanksgiving Day, 337 students, relatives, and faculty members, enjoyed the annual dinner and play, of which the latter was reported by the *Pigtail* as "rough in spots but certainly spirited." When the marks appeared Dave Ober and the Taylor Twins were on the Honor Roll.



Fuzzy

Joe



During the winter vacation many changes were effected: the dining room was enlarged at the expense of the reception room. The bookstore was transferred from the post office to the pit; a prefabricated house was bought for the Waller family; and nine breeding steers and a tractor were acquired for the farm.

With the beginning of the Winter Term we got our first taste of shoveling hockey rinks on Hatch Pond. It was amazing how rapidly those rinks could be cleared if we all pitched in and did our share. During the term the first hockey games were played on the Brunet Rink, and the school's first chess match since 1942 took place. Also held was the first session of Kaffeklatch, which gave us the opportunity of relaxing at the Woodward's and Dingman's on Sunday mornings. Near the end of the term, 21 "dolls" in the tow of Mrs. Walker visited the school.

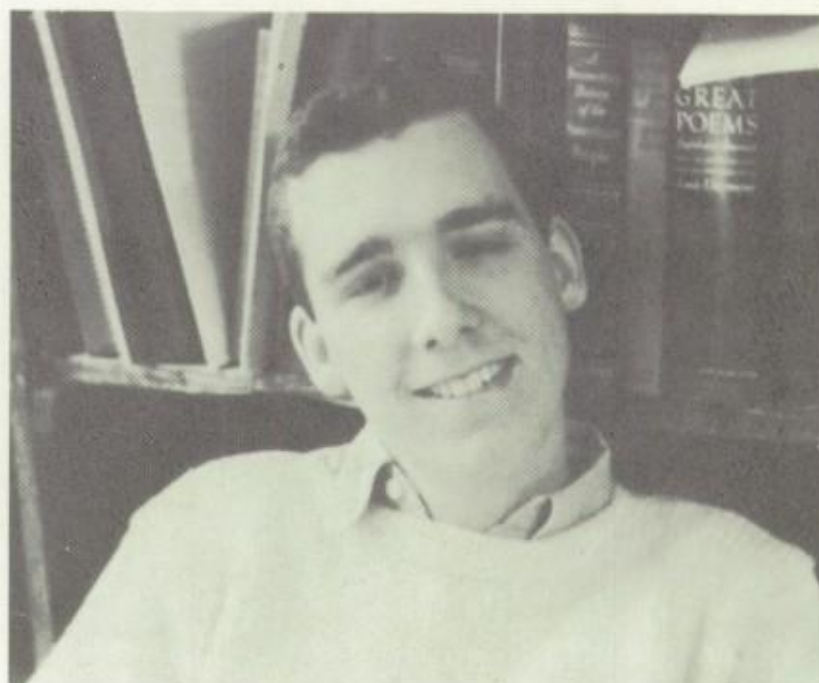
"Winter Marks Exceedingly Low"

With the rise in temperature came a rise in our spirits and Spring was here. If one had looked beyond the Gillette's house on some weekday during the Spring Term one would have seen a great cloud of dust, heard the thundering clank and crunch of steel upon stone, and sensed the dynamic power of horses in toilsome labor. If one's vision were particularly keen one might have perceived a dim but gigantic form (the student body) within this dusty sphere. If one looked even closer one would undoubtedly soon find oneself picking rocks off the new athletic field, which was undergoing a face-lifting. The football field was given to the school by the Fathers' Association, and the baseball diamond was donated by the Eastburns in memory of their son Hugh, who was killed in the Second World War.

Fathers' and Mothers' Weekends proved to be enjoyable occasions and served to distract us from the fast-approaching final exams.



Bob



Don

On Prize Day Dave Ober received the cup for the highest final average, and then, after a year under Mr. Brown, Mr. Cuyler, and Father Wood, we were on our way to the Third Form.

In the fall, we were all eager to return, (though no one was so unsophisticated as to admit it) for well had we learned that "He who arrives too late, is minus a pair of football pants."

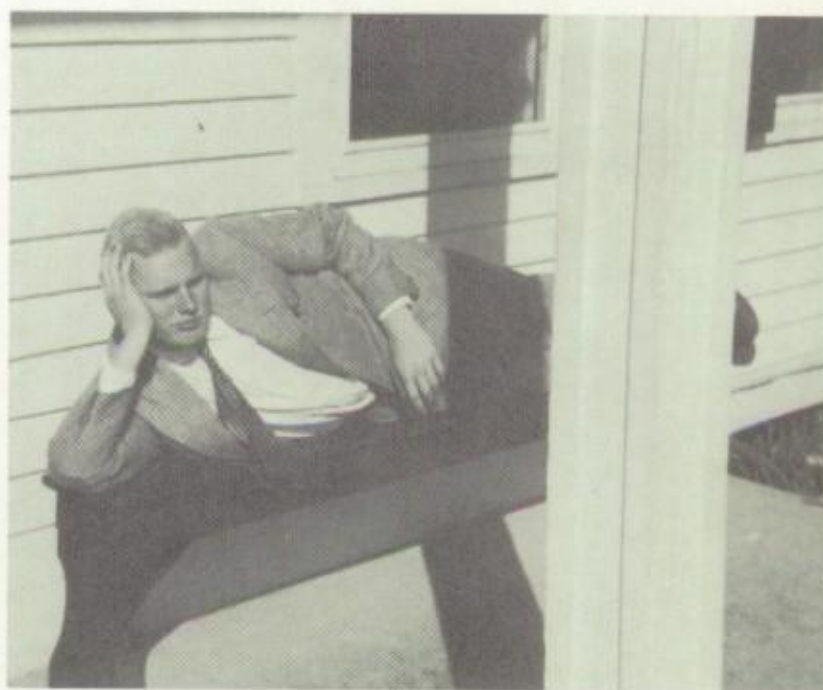
Over the summer Mr. Brown and various members of the staff under the general direction of Tom Boyd had built a new barn on the hill. September 29 began the building of the new chapel wing, which is a memorial for those alumni killed in the Second World War.

Some of our form were active in extra-curricular activities: the chess, public speaking and glee clubs. White, Fox and Cantus were active in these fields, while Fox, Butterworth, and Williams made the Honor Roll.

Thanksgiving was again successful, although it was the first time that the students' relatives were not invited. It was felt that the task of entertaining so many guests had resulted in an unfair strain on the kitchen.

During the Christmas holidays South Kent made the public news, but in a way not particularly welcome. Woodrow had apparently lost all value to the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad, even as a milkstop, for it was announced that the trains would no longer stop except for taking on loads of scholars at the beginning and end of each term.

The new system of having the masters pick the league hockey teams proved to be a successful and fair method. Gouverneur Mosher's team, with the Taylor-Ober-Taylor line, won the championship on the last day, while Jim Finch's club placed first in the tripod circuit. During the term the *Pigtail*



Whitie

celebrated twenty-five years of publication, and a Sixth Former, Dan Walker, wrote and directed a delightful one-act play, "Paint Your Elevator."

The Hugh Eastburn Memorial Field was officially dedicated on the Saturday of Fathers' Weekend the next term. The baseball team broke its twenty-two game losing streak that day in its first game on the new field and Bud Daly had his start as a first team pitcher. Also during the term, the new Chapel wing was dedicated and a new house was built northwest of the Schoolhouse for Doctor Henry and his family.

On Prize Day, Ober was awarded the Junior Athletic cup, Butterworth led the form, and Fox was head of the school. Thus passed our second year, and the memory of bygone years soon became daily jokes.

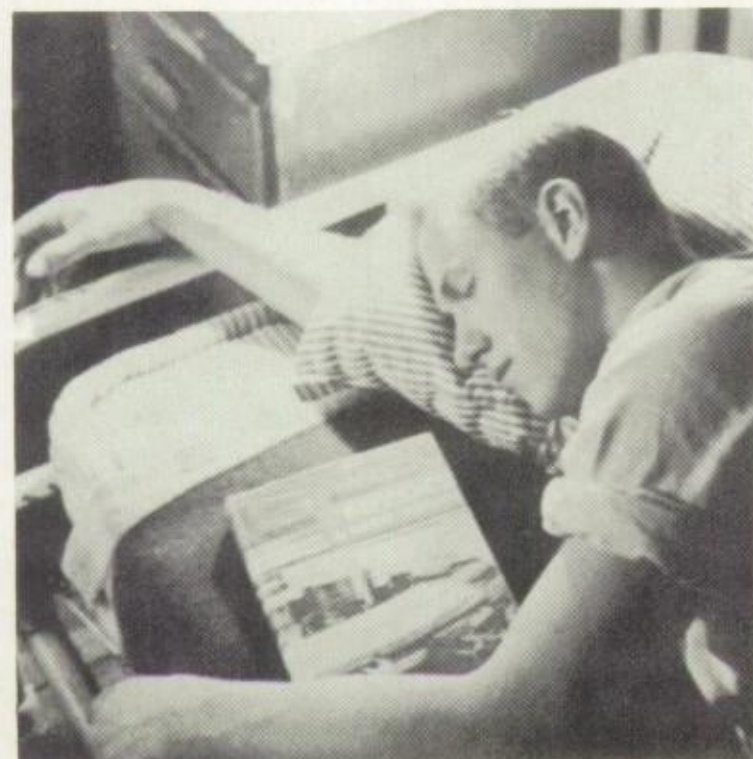
The beginning of our Fourth Form year found us adjusting ourselves to our first rooms, and in some cases, our first roommates. We were now what you might call middle-men — too aloof to mix with the Second and Third Formers and yet too insignificant to associate with the upper strata of Fifth and Sixth Formers!



Corny



Skilly



Pete



Bud (Waugh)

Near the old barn a new barn and silo adorned the South Kent countryside and new boardwalks and stairways improved the school's appearance. Also the road leading to the school had been renovated and resurfaced. The new barn, which was composed of two floors, a ground floor living room-bedroom apartment suite and a second floor storage for hay, was designed to meet the needs of South Kent's expanding population of perambulating Porterhouses.

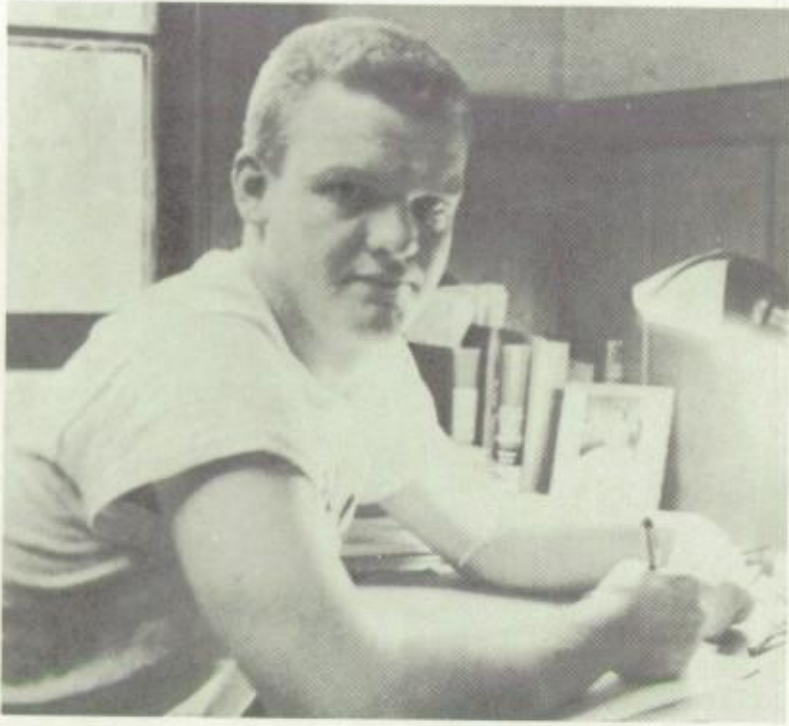
When one mentions the Fall term one cannot escape the subject of football. The first team, which split six games, was aided considerably by the play of Dave Skillman and Bud Daly. Many of us played on the Kidget team which, as had the midget team of the past two years, proved superior to all its opponents—especially The Gunnery whom it defeated 70-0. Bob Gibbons from Bermuda introduced a new style of place kicking which proved to be very effective and deceptive.

At the Hallowe'en festivities Peter Ober took first prize for his ridiculous costume "Schoolboy." One of the high points of the evening was a small band which included David Grambs and Craig Pritchard, who also rendered "Stardust" on his cornet.

In the latter part of the Fall South Kent held its first presidential election!



Butts



Willy



Wedge

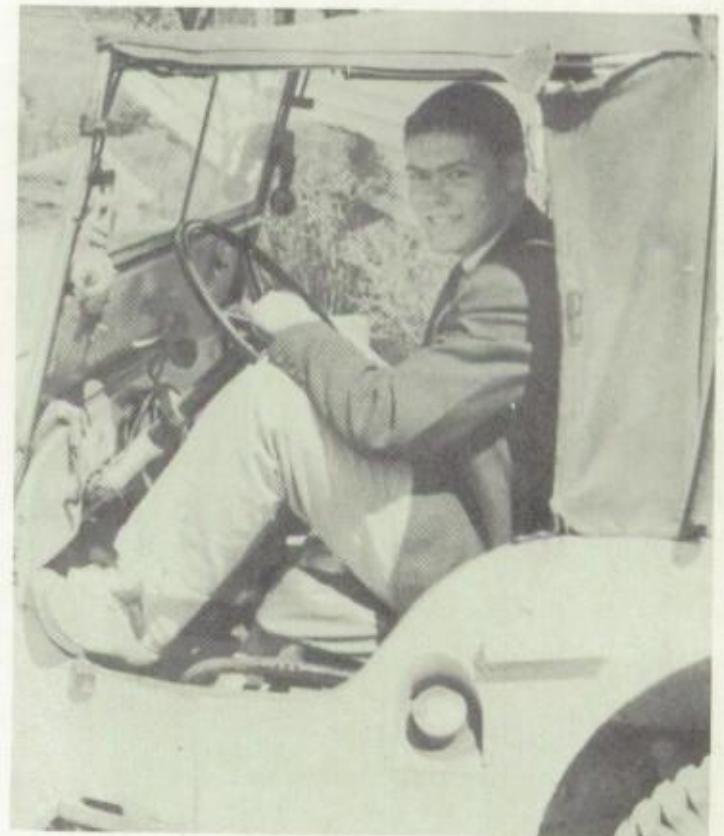
Despite the demonstrations of the Poor Man's Party and the Republicans, the Prohibitionists and the Democrats, the Nick Perrone Party, with the slogan "Vote for the Yankee Clipper," was chosen unanimously. Nick, well known as the school and town barber, rewarded the school with sodas and, at the same time, showed what a shrewd politician he really is, when he raised the price of haircuts fifteen cents.

With the winter term came much snow and much shoveling, most of it outside the classroom. Most of us played league hockey, but a few sadly lacked a sense of balance, and all dreaded the fish holes in the north end of the lake.

The Spring term marked the beginning of the thirtieth anniversary drive, the main purpose of which was to raise money for a new library. The library soon became a favorite subject for the *Pigtail*, for "the Doc" became known for his fine press releases, his observations on life, and his stories, all of which made excellent reading.

In June Don Hart, form president for the past year, and Dave Ober, president for the coming year, were again elected to the Student Council. On Prize Day our form won a handful of prizes. Bud Daly was awarded the Gordon C. McCoun Baseball Trophy. Dave Ober was presented the trophy for the best junior athlete and the prize for excellence in Latin. Shawhan Fox won the chess cup and the prize for leading the form academically, while Warner Butterworth led the school.

During the summer vacation the buildings received extensive repairs. Several years worth of paint was scraped from the old building and others before repainting. Within the old building living quarters had been modernized, many with paint; a few had new floors. The Gillette house boasted a new chimney — the old one was reputed to have been 200 years old.



Mother



Puff



Willy



Bix

All of the desks and dining room tables had been resurfaced, bringing the names of old alumni and their loved ones back to light.

During our Fifth Form year the acting headmaster, Mr. Wister, allowed an occasional phonograph on the hallways. These were very much enjoyed at no (!?) sacrifice to schoolwork.

The Fall Term marked the first time in five years that the first football team defeated The Gunnery. Bud Daly received the James Garfield football trophy together with Al Greener, and was elected captain for the following year. Most of our form played on the Kid team, which defeated Canterbury for the first time in 12 years. The team lost a valuable lineman when Charlie Reid suffered a knee injury, but Jimmy Lovell and John Hansen filled in capably.

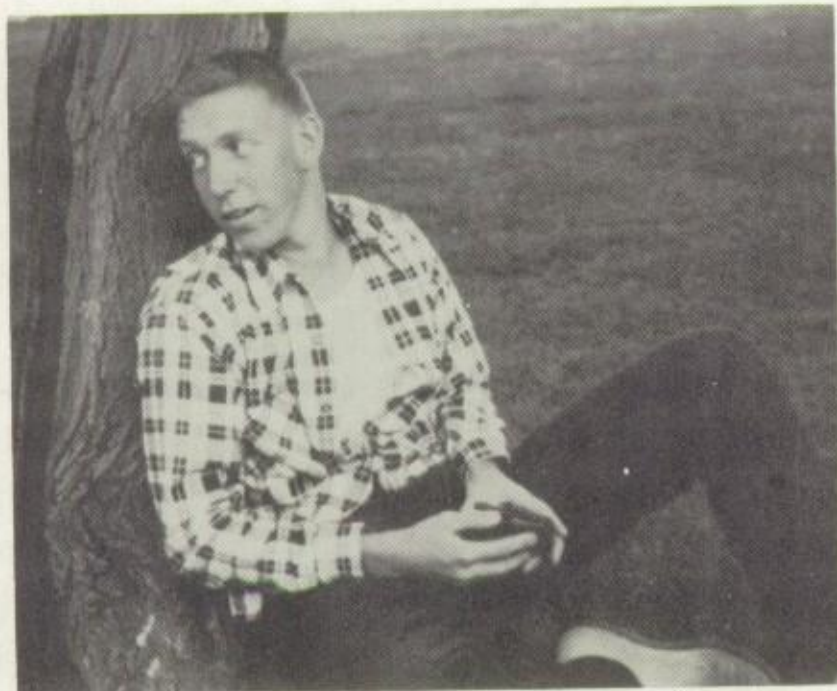
Our form was given its first chance to run the school without assistance when the Sixth Form was granted a Thanksgiving Day recess. But there was little hacking to cope with after the school had consumed 140 pounds of turkey.

The winter of '54 turned hockey into an all-day

affair. The great fall of snow provided a fine base for the land rinks, but 16 of the first twenty days were spent shoveling, and many of the nights were devoted to flooding. Daly, Ober, Puffer, and the Taylors were given their hockey letters, while Bud was elected captain of the '55 team.

During the term members of the student body were given the opportunity to hear the Boston Symphony Orchestra in Hartford. We also heard others from Philadelphia, Detroit, and Cleveland.

Our three short weeks of Spring Vacation soon slipped by, and once again we walked up the road in the chill twilight of an early spring evening. On Fathers' Weekend Tim Lanham, Holly Cantus, Bob Lee, and Billy Taylor represented the form in "Stalag 17." At the Fathers' Association meeting it was announced that a committee had been organized to secure 300 dollars from 300 individuals over a period of three years. The efforts of the Thirtieth Anniversary Fund had already raised \$22,000 towards that objective, after paying for the new infirmary wing which was completed in May 1954.



Holly



Chas



Jacques



Foxy

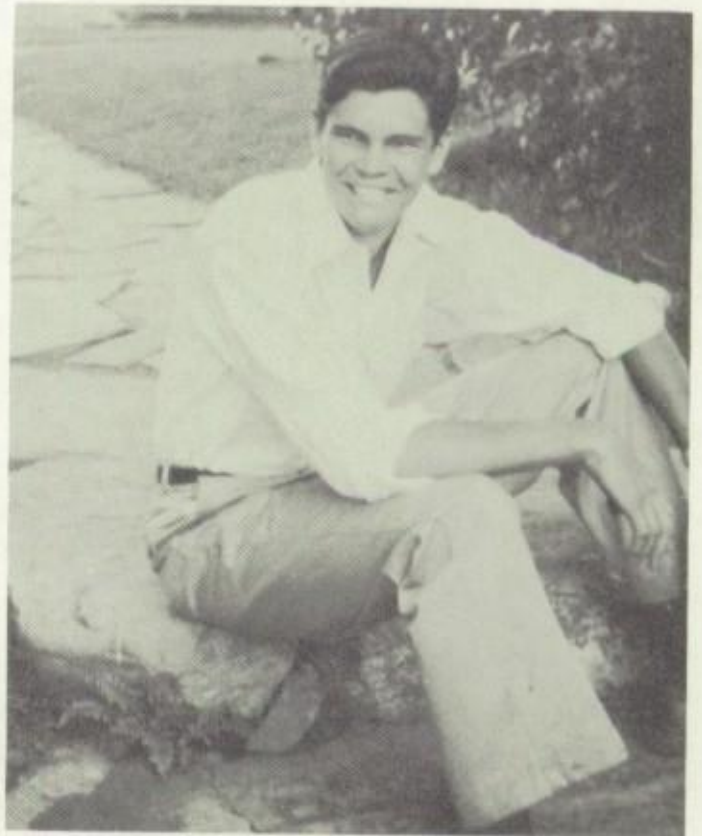
On the 4th of June, the outgoing class handed over the reins to our form. Don Hart, Bud Daly, and Bob Lee were appointed prefects while Dave Ober was elected sub-prefect and class president.

Prize Day dawned bright and clear. Warner Butterworth led the form scholastically and Shawhan Fox was presented with the Chess Cup, and in the evening ceremonies, Bud Daly was awarded the McCoun baseball trophy. Billy and Charlie Taylor were elected to captain the next year's baseball team, Don Hart the crew, and Dave Ober the tennis team.

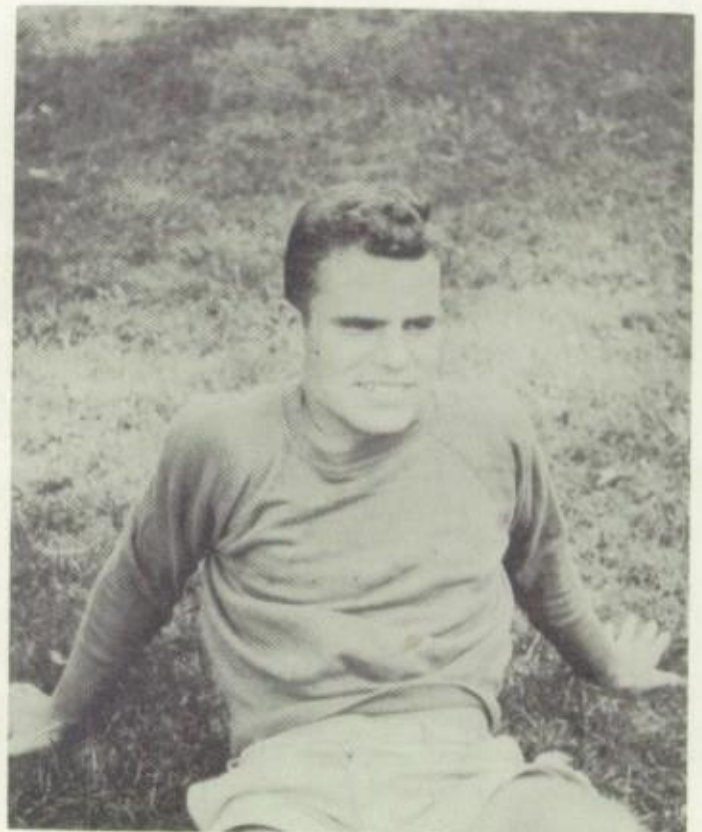
Mr. Gillette, a fine teacher and coach and a loyal alumnus of the school, announced his retirement from South Kent. Earlier in the year the school had lost two excellent kitchenmen in Billy Healy and Jim Anderson. We could not help but feel the loss of these three men.

The next morning our Summer Vacation began. Amid the frantic collecting of addresses and the planning for summer reunions, we launched ourselves on the long holiday.

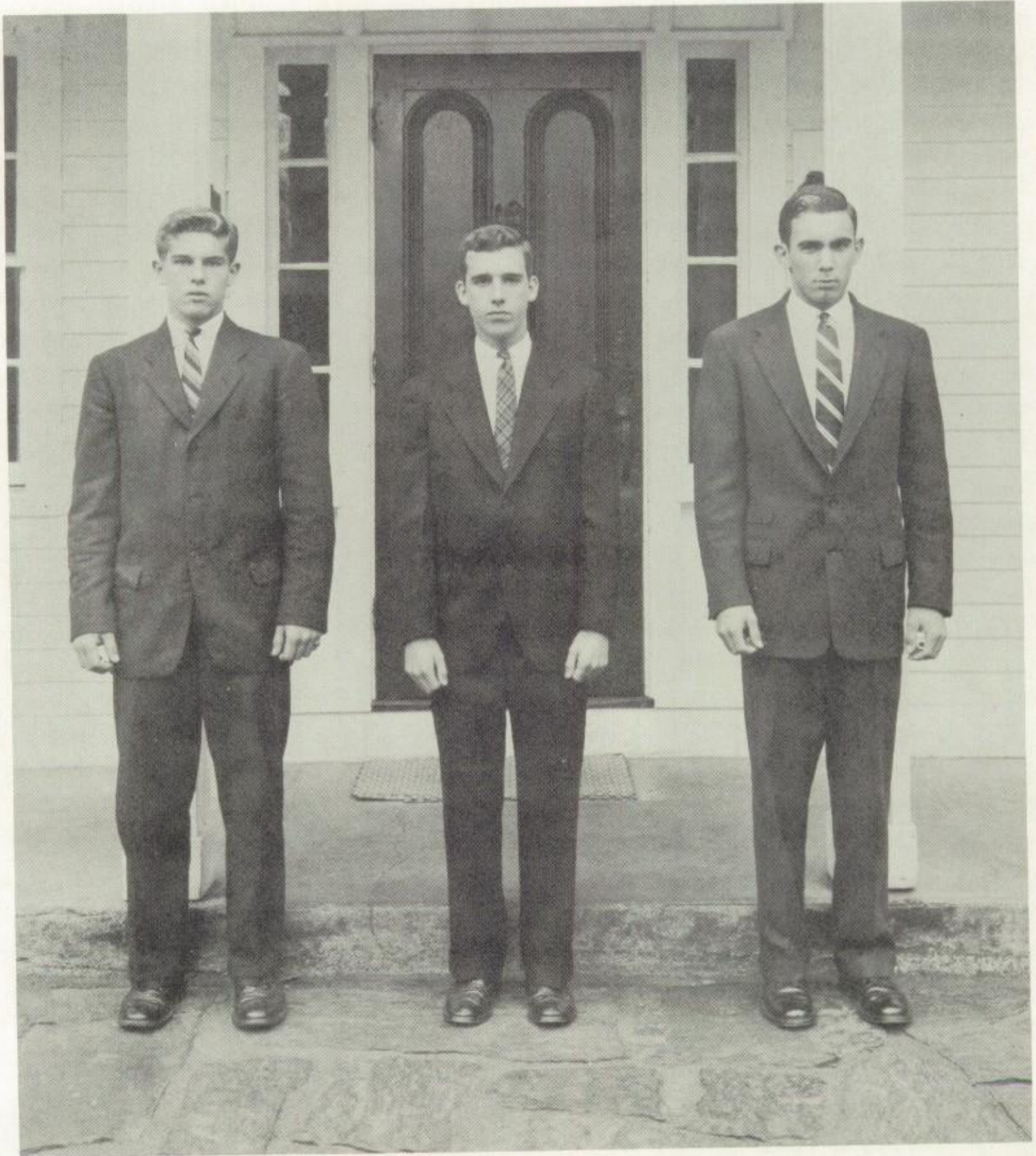
Such are the recollections of our first years! They were marked by the necessary additions which appeared — the wings on the Chapel and Infirmary, the two faculty houses, the new athletic field, and new cars for old masters. However, much was still the same — council members in study hall, infrequent holidays, unpredictable weather, the picture of the Mayflower above the mailbox, and the smell of cod fish on Friday afternoons. The school was steering a wider course, but it was still a straight one.



Gibbie



Obe



THE PREFECTS

Donald P. Hart

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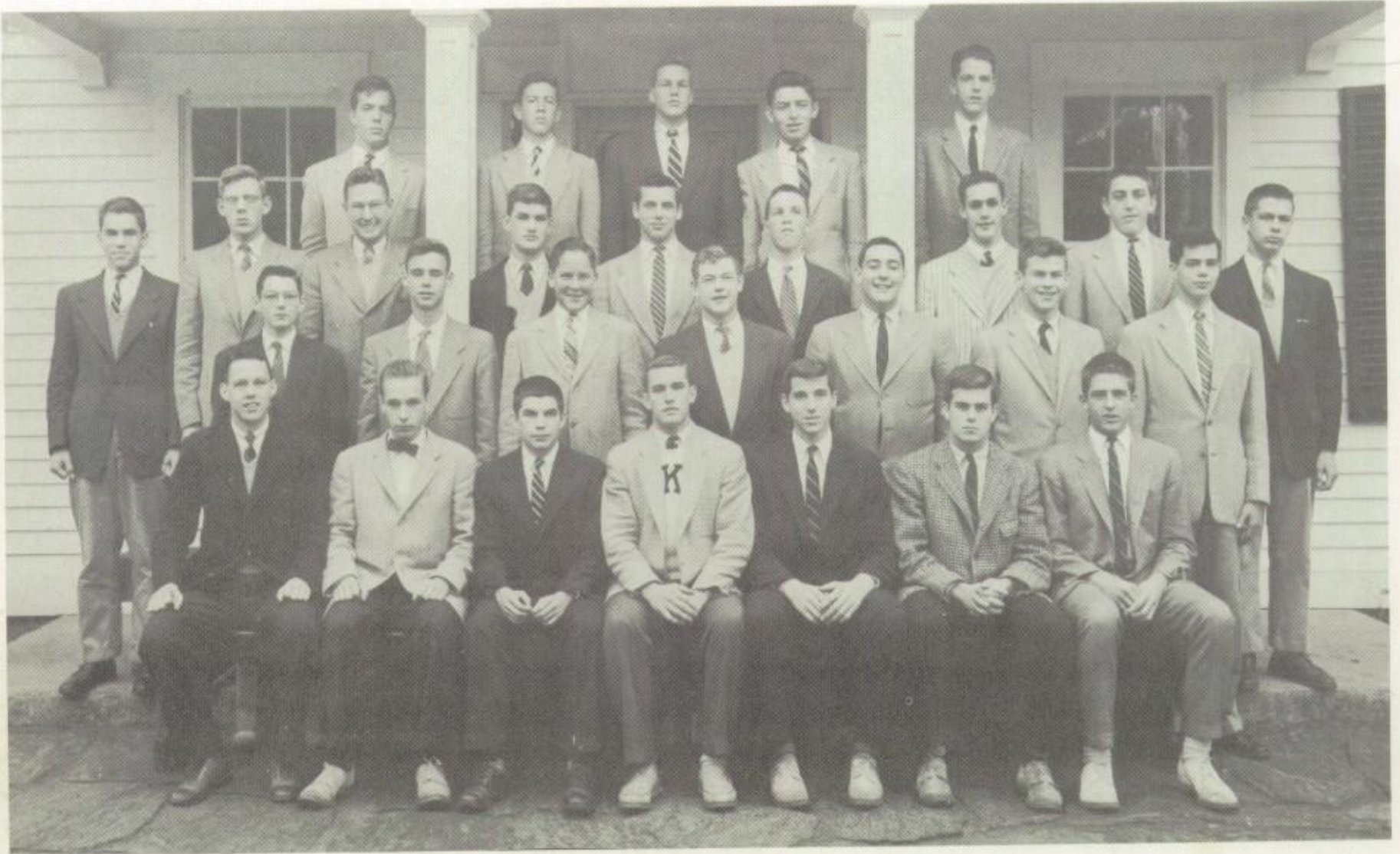
David P. Ober '55

Thomas T. Allan '56

Nicholas Jenks '57

Peter K. Dyke '56

David E. Wheelock '57



THE FIFTH FORM

Back row: Rex, Richardson, Welch, F., Seaberg, Banning. Third row: Hastings, Coleman, J., Phelps, Lee, P. D., Richmond, Batchelder, Worthington, Wolfe, Lavino. Second row: Allen, Ingraham, Frost, J., Moorman, Brent, Turner, Elliott. Front row: Hyatt, Moody, Dyke, Vant (Pres.); Allan, Rush, Mathews, M.



THE FOURTH FORM

Back row: Jones, Daly, J., Gibbons, L., Neidlinger, Moon, G., Goddard, Wilkinson, Pease, Madara, Frost, N. Third row: Hill, Agate, Shapiro, Callender, Cuyler, J., Young, Carter, Taylor, K., Lloyd. Second row: Leeming, Posselt, Coleman, F., Hamel, Maybach, Cantus, R., Chatfield, Woodward. Front row: Peabody, M., Mathews, A., Gravereaux, J., Jenks, Wheelock (Pres.); Peabody, G., Price, Severance, Sanford.



THE THIRD FORM

Back row: Baldwin, Patitz, Hewatt, Schwartz, Tracy. Third row: Merrill, Stuart, Farr, Newman, Mullener, Ermentrout, Moon, P. Second row: Triplett, Cuyler, L., Welch, J., Kellam, Smith, Waldner, Bang, Norris. Front row: Richards, Finch, P., Kelly, Monck, Lee, P. W. (Pres.); Kemper, Vogel, Frost, A., McDougal.



THE SECOND FORM

Back row: Pierpont, Dickerson, Ingham. Front row: Hines, Connors, Graveriaux, S. (Pres.); Haines, Heuss.



Up to assembly



Hey! the needle!



Last minute instructions

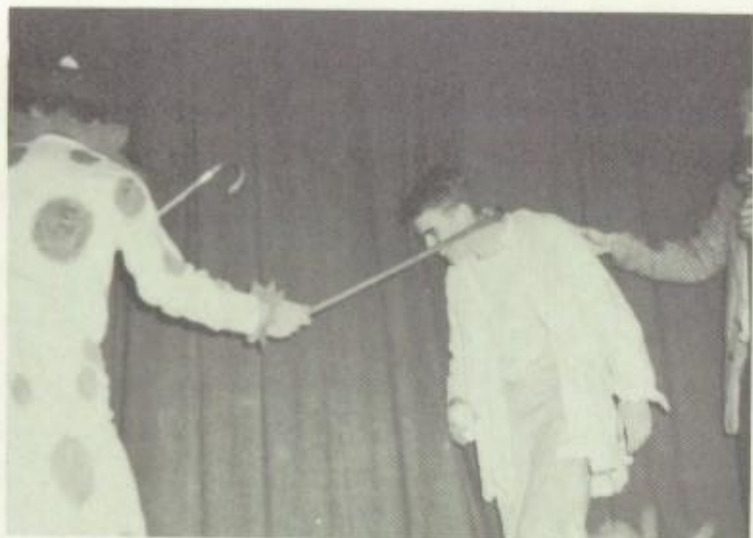
THE PASSING YEAR

To the 128 students, including the 46 new boys who arrived at the alma mater this year, September 23rd was the big day. The old boys immediately noticed the improvements in the paint job on the Schoolhouse and the Harmar Brown Infirmary wing. The trunk barn, now Mr. Goode's workshop, had received a new roof. Besides the improvements in the physical aspects of the school, there were also some internal changes. Absent from the faculty were Mr. Whittemore, who was on leave to write his Doctor's thesis in History, and Mr. Gillette, who left to manage antique shows in and around New York and New England. Replacing them as members of the faculty were Mr. Adkins, who gave help to certain individuals and taught Third Form History, and Mr. Smith, who taught Fifth and Sixth Form Mathematics.

Football practice began almost immediately, and after one week of practice the team came out to face Berkshire. Although high-spirited and able, the team lacked confidence and experience, and finished up with a record of one win, five losses, and one tie. Captain Daly was awarded the James Garfield trophy for the best all-around football player.

fun
for
the
feeble-
minded





Fate of the New Boy



Pigtail Puns:
the shoplifter



Darling . . .

October brought chilly days, cold nights, and Halloween. Following the ancient tradition of harmless pranks, several energetic lads could be descried around the base of the flagpole about midnight Oct. 31, and the following morning, behold! — over the school floated the flag from the land of Dixie! In the Playhouse the next night Jack Frost won the poem prize, Hubbell Ingham the costume prize, and "Sob", the skit prize.

On the long-awaited Thanksgiving morning several boys went off with their parents, but a majority remained for the turkey dinner. There was coffee for the Faculty and the Sixth Form in the common-room and later a movie for the school in the Schoolroom.



Mr. Goode's Woodsmen



New Faces
'54



Working at the Potato Field



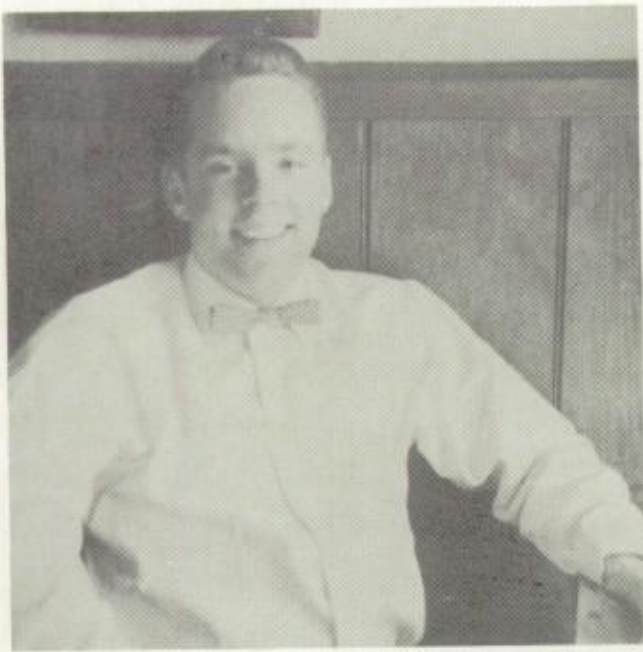
Mass dope shots



The anticipation
is half the fun.



Moonshiners



S.S.B. with grandchild



... listening to music
Saturday night



Kitchen "Workers"



Oh, for a Buick



Scholars



... trying for the three
minute record



Breakfast at Mr. Goode's

A week later came the opening of "My Three Angels" at the Playhouse. Mr. Wittenberg's cast did an excellent job with Tim Lanham, Jim Finch, and John Brent in the leading roles. The play was a definite success — one of the best comedies that the Playhouse has yet seen.

The traditional Nativity Play in St. Michael's Chapel on the evening of December 15 brought the term to an end.

The disappointment brought by January and the end of the holidays was soon forgotten in the roar of gliding steel on the lake. Many were the friendly jokes that were passed at the expense of the novices, but it was all in fun and soon these same novices were skating madly after a puck in their own tripod games.

As the term went on the new boys flashed each other knowing glances when the "old timers" expounded on the weeks of shoveling in the old days. The land rinks were abandoned as hopeless due to the lack of snow but there were rink boards on two lake rinks, and the school would often entertain two visiting teams on the same afternoon.

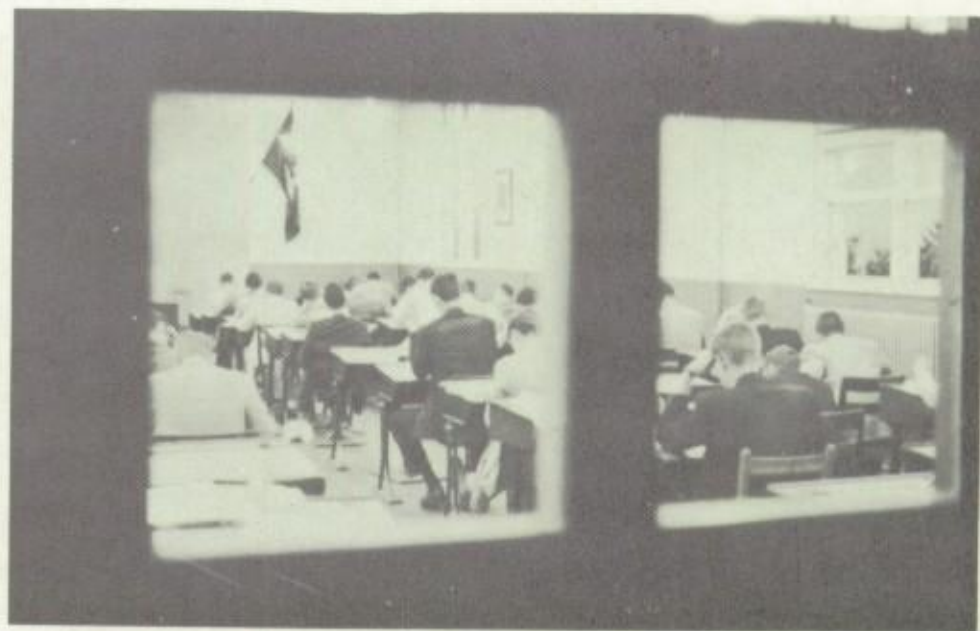
The hockey team finished its season with a record of 6 wins and 7 losses, but this does not indicate the team's spirit and skill and the fine job it did. The Allen Merrell Hockey Trophy was awarded to Captain Bud Daly and Dave Ober, and Pete Tulloch was elected next year's captain.

February 2nd was the Feast of the Presentation. As is usual with scheduled holidays, there was interference from the weather. In the morning Mr. Dingman borrowed a plane to smooth off the rinks, but proceeded to run it into a stump, damaging it for the day. The holiday was not a total loss, however, as there were two games in the afternoon and a movie in the Playhouse that evening.

On February 13, George and Mary Richards presented Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett with their first grandchild.

Daly, Ober, and the Taylors played against the Yale Freshmen on March 2nd on the League's all-star team which was coached by Mr. Humphreys. One of last year's graduating class, Dave Pollet, played for the Yale team which lost 4-3.

Near the end of the term the Board of Trustees met in New York and authorized the letting of contracts for the long-awaited library. Doc's morale improved tremendously — several scholars even managed to pass their French exams.



The Study Hall



Dishes!



Mr. Sandman



Dustroller



Who comes?





12:45



12:45:01



12:45:02

The underformers left school on March 11, leaving behind the Fifth and Sixth Forms to take college boards. Most of the boys remained calm but Bob Phelps could not stand the strain and boarded the train to go all the way to New Milford. The following day, after the tests, everyone left — after the limousines, hired for the train riders, unblocked the driveway. Craig Pritchard and Peter True decided to trust to luck on the open road, however, and hitchhiked to New York. They arrived half an hour after those taking the train. Total cost: 15c.

Saturday, April 2, the school rose to the sound of much frenzied activity. In back of the New Building a steam shovel and a small bulldozer were busily engaged digging the foundation for the new library. Dozens of sidewalk constructors encircled the crater, offering numerous helpful hints which were, fortunately, calmly ignored.

Soon it was Eastertide, and the school kept the traditional "watch" over the Sacrament on Maundy Thursday. The Good Friday Passion Service was conducted by Father Harrison.

The following Sunday a ranger, accompanied by his trusty Indian pump Tonto, arrived to instruct the school in the use of fire fighting equipment. As usual an unrehearsed water battle concluded the lesson.

Saturday, April 30th, dawned clear and warm, bringing a good beginning for Fathers' Weekend. Unfortunately the fathers arrived to see all three athletic teams defeated. The baseball team lost to Wooster 7-4 in a fourteen inning thriller which sorely upset the planned schedule. That evening, after a concert by the Glee Club, The South Kent players presented "The Importance of Being Earnest", directed by Mr. Wittenberg. Sunday, after the Fathers' Association meeting, the first Father-Son baseball game played in five years was won by the fathers, who were aided by a nine-man outfield and Mr. Dingman's sharp baseball eye.

The next Saturday calamity struck the school. Albert, Charlie Reid's pet alligator, disappeared. Although a very diligent search was organized a day later, Albert remained unfound.



12:50



No home should be without one.



Sunning and "Studying"



Evening Stickball Game



The Beginning — at last



Harmar Brown Infirmary



New Building Jive Session



Can I have a ride, sir?



Joe — Albert — Charlie



Outdoor Class



"Fill 'er up, Mac"



Yeah! But what is it?



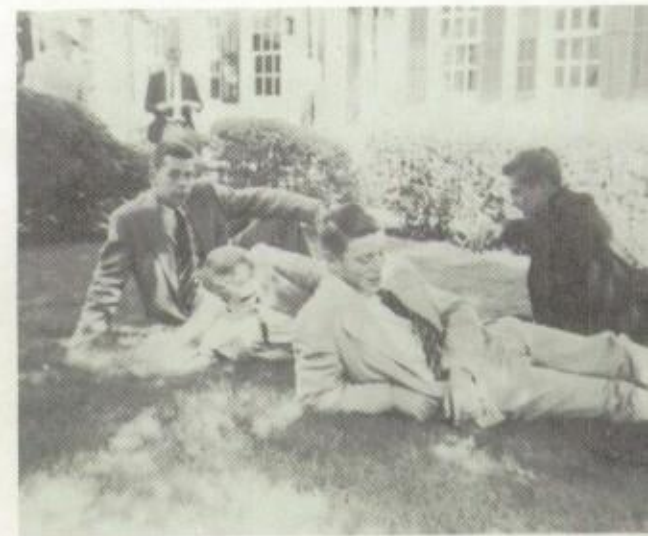
From only 15 minutes
Day and Night



Father and Son Baseball Game



The Early Morning Chapel Service



12:57

On Mothers' Weekend, May 14th, the crew and tennis teams played and lost at Salisbury and Berkshire respectively, while the Baseball Team clinched the Connatonic League by beating Westminster at home. A concert featuring the Glee Club and Octet, and an improved performance of "The Importance of Being Earnest" were presented at the playhouse that night, and fair weather reigned the rest of the weekend despite Doc Henry's prediction of a tornado.

Nick Jenks became the School Hero May 21st by winning the Tennis Team's first match all season.

During the term the construction on the library had progressed rapidly, aside from a few isolated incidents such as having the trucks get stuck in the mud, and finding unexpected springs. With a huge crane which just cleared the Schoolhouse several times, the library's first floor was laid in one day.

The different sports finished their seasons with sharply contrasting records: the Tennis Team lost all its matches, the first crew won 3 races, lost 6, and came seventh out of nine at Quinsigamond, and the Baseball Team won the Connatonic League Championship, taking 10 games and dropping 2. For 1956 Pete Richmond will captain the Baseball Team, Tom Allan the Crew, and George Wolfe the Tennis Team.

June 3rd Thomas Allan became the Senior Prefect, with George Worthington and Robert Hastings supporting him. Fourth Formers Wheelock and Pease and Third Formers Cuyler and Kellam were elected to the Student Council.

Prize Day dawned wet and gloomy June 9th. Father Packard, a member of the Order of the Holy Cross, spoke at the ceremonies, which were held in the Schoolroom. Toward the close of the graduation ceremony in St. Michael's Chapel, Mr. Lewis B. Cuyler, president of the Board of Trustees, formally announced the retirement of the Old Man and the appointment of Wynne Wister as the new Headmaster. The announcement came as a complete surprise to the many students, parents, and friends who were assembled for the final services in St. Michael's Chapel. The good wishes of all there went out to the Old Man and Mrs. Bartlett and to Mr. and Mrs. Wister.

Following the customary and legendary Prize Day repast, served with the usual finesse by loyal Fourth Form servitors, there was a last minute rustle and job assembly. And, for the first time in the 32 year history of the school, the boys, in what seemed to be an endless stream of cars, disappeared down the hill on Prize Day, homeward bound.



Targett's Little Helpers



Advancing library construction



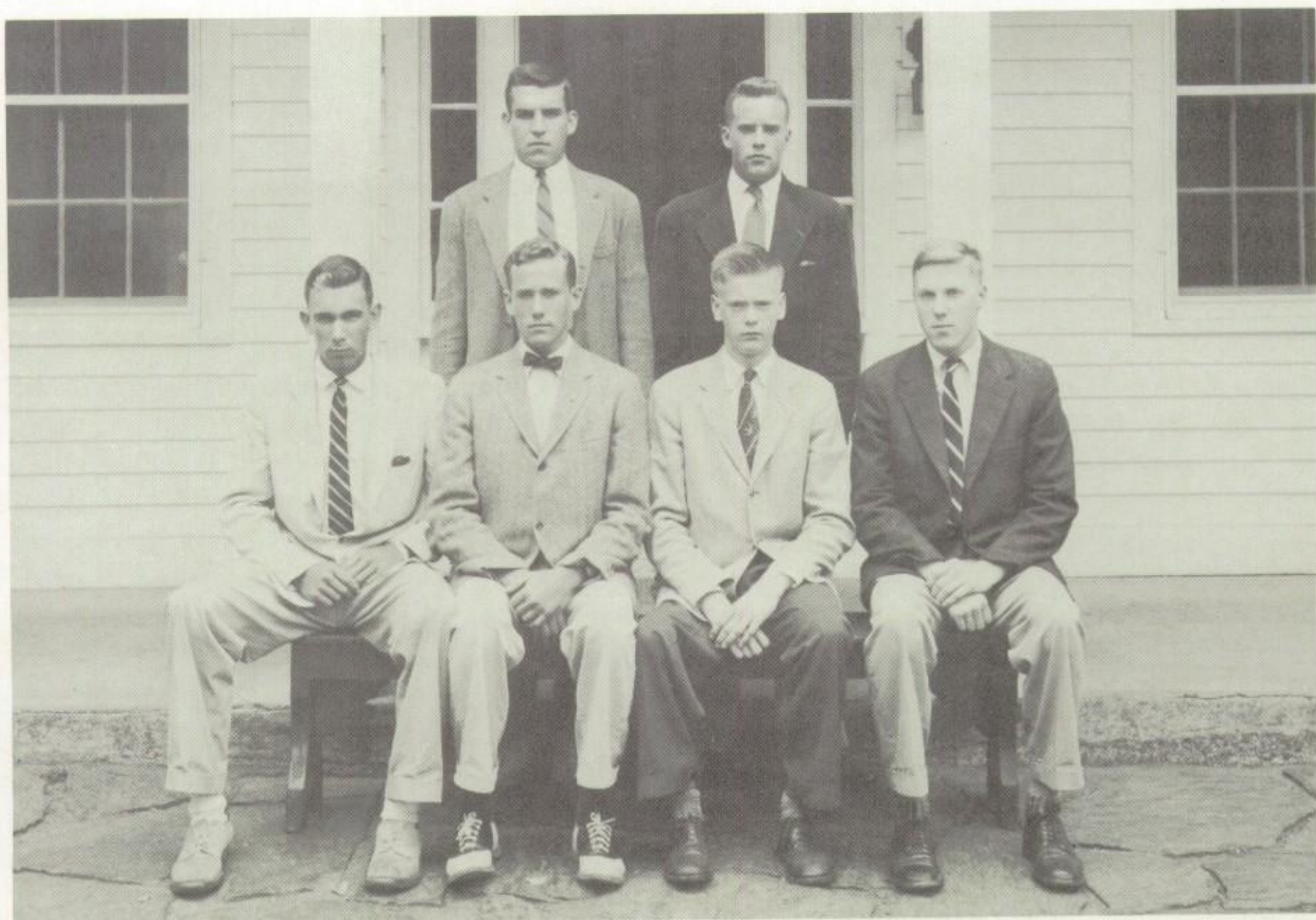
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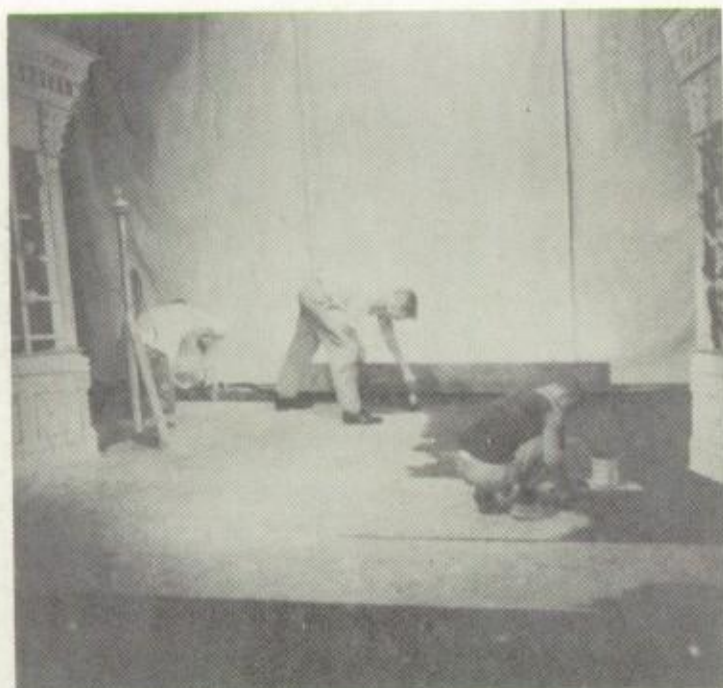
The Playhouse opened its '54-'55 theatre season with Sam and Bella Spewack's comedy, "My Three Angels." As the play opens Dave Skillman as Felix Ducotel, is seated at a table attempting to correct the jumbled accounts of his tiny general store in Cayenne, French Guiana. He and his wife Emily (Jonathan Richards) are soon plunged into despair by the receipt of a telegram from Henri Trochard (Craig Pritchard) who is the owner of the shop and is coming to check the accounts. Felix's daughter Marie Louise (Archie Frost) has received a

letter informing her that an old school chum is engaged to be married to Henri's son Paul (Warner Butterworth) with whom she herself is in love. It is here that John Brent, Jim Finch, and Tim Lanham enter as Joseph, Jules, and Alfred, three convicts from a nearby prison farm who lend a hand in shaping the family's future. Aided by their pet snake Adolphe, they manage to dispose first of Henri who was threatening to take over the shop, and then of Paul who was prepared to go to the police because he found that his father's death from snakebite was no accident. This saved Felix's business, and the handsome naval lieutenant, Don Hart, insured the future happiness of Marie Louise.

The play, presented once before the school, came off perfectly and kept the audience in continuous laughter from the dimming of the houselights to the curtain calls.

For the Spring Term, Mr. Wittenberg produced Oscar Wilde's play, "The Importance of Being Earnest." The plot concerned two eligible bachelors and the objects of their affections and depended upon a confusion of names and identities for its humorous consistency. Jack Coleman as Algernon and Tim Lanham as Jack took the bachelor leads while Allen Ermentrout and Alan Hewat played Cecily and Gwendolyn, the rather bewildered young ladies. Their mix-up with their prospective suitors produced a delightful conclusion to the second act. Algernon's pseudo-sophisticated Aunt Augusta was portrayed magnificently by John Brent, and Bill Chatfield did a good job as "Miss Prism", Cecily's rather stiff governess. Canon Chasuble, who has a modest admiration for Miss Prism, was very well acted by George Wolfe, although he hardly seemed the type to represent a brother of the cloth. Charlie and Billy Taylor added humorous flavor to the production with their "poker-faced" portrayals of Lane and Merriman, the servants. The play was presented on Fathers' and Mothers' Weekends, and on the latter, the Playhouse had the distinction of premiering a short portion of Wilde's play in the United States. This new scene was added in the second act and introduced a Mr. Gribsby, who was played by Arthur Moody. This play rang down the curtain on a successful dramatics season.

Many thanks go to Mr. Wittenberg, who patiently directed the plays, to Mrs. Webb, who did a great deal to help prepare the costumes, and to Mr. Goode, who took charge of the decors for the plays. The stage crew, consisting mainly of Moody, Fox, Hastings, Lavino, Kellam, and Triplett also deserves a vote of thanks for its fine work.



Stage
Crew

My Three Angels



Convicts on my roof?



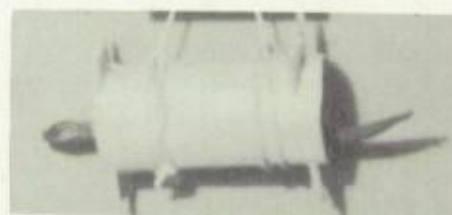
Darling Marie Louise . . .



A lesson in economics



Charming!



Adolphe



Here, taste this cognac.



What were you doing with your hand in your uncle's pocket?

The Importance of Being Earnest



The final scene



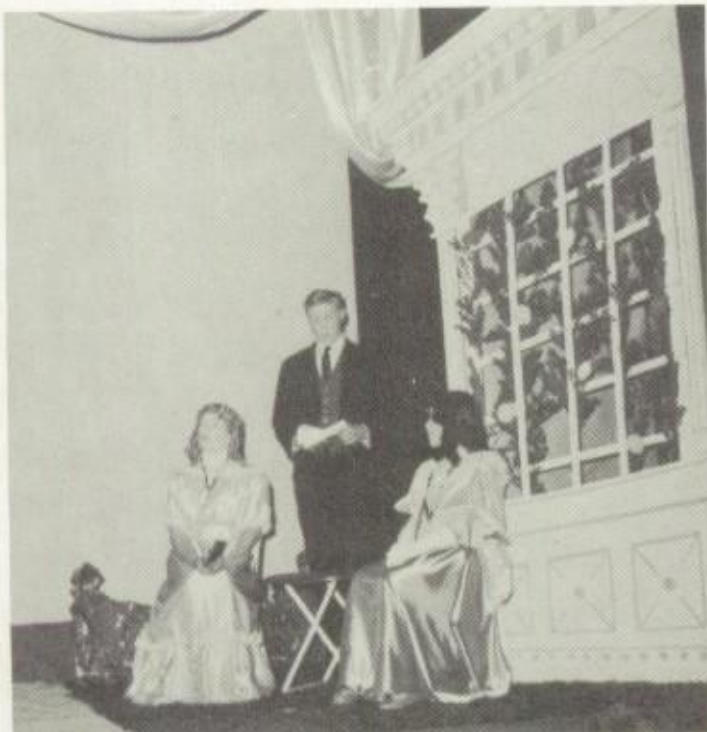
Aunt Augusta



I speak metaphorically of course.



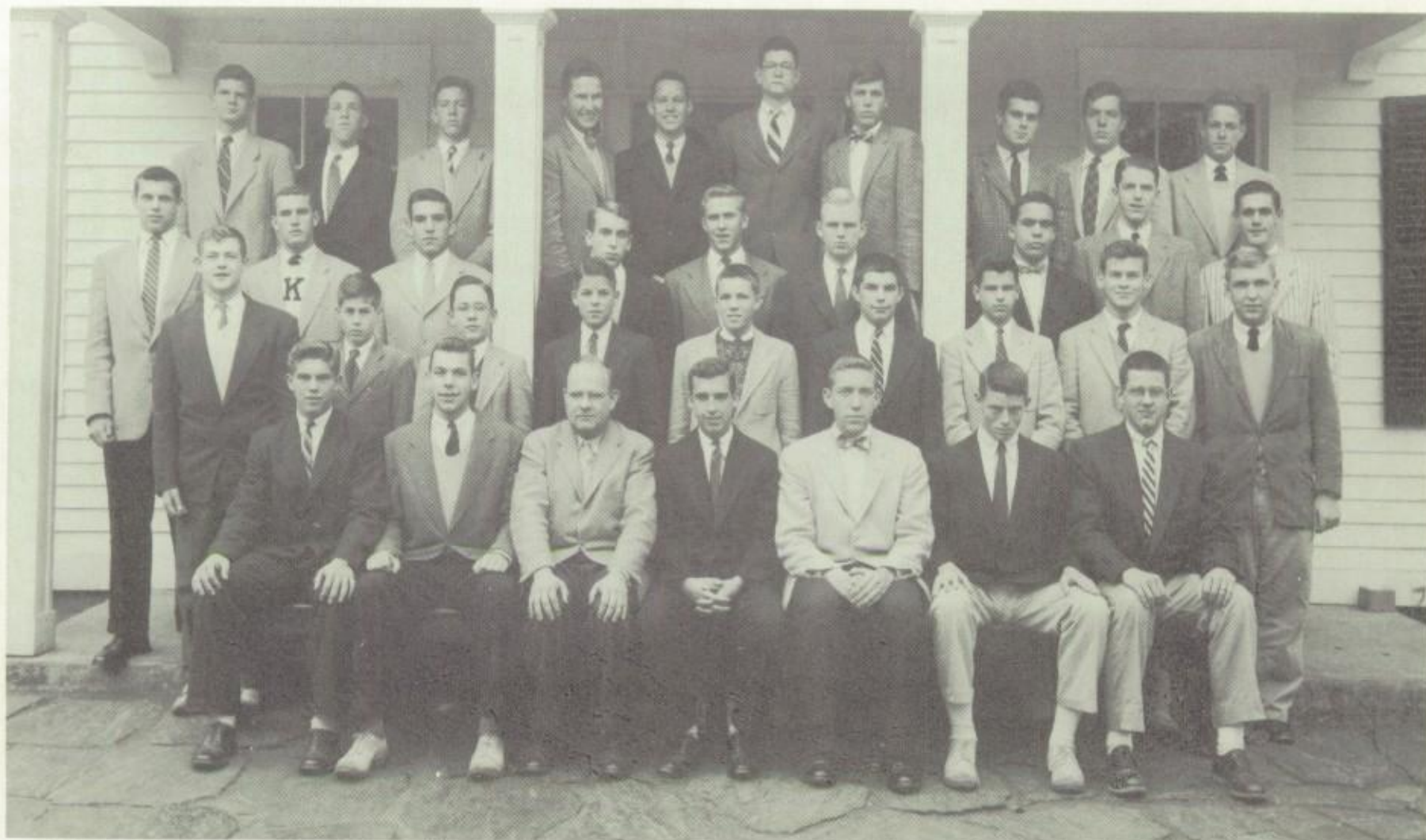
And are you engaged to Miss Fairfax?



Cecily, Lane (or Merriman), and Gwendolyn



Algernon, Aunt Augusta, and Jack



THE GLEE CLUB

FIRST TENORS

Cuyler, L.
Hyatt
Monck
Patitz
Richmond
True

SECOND TENORS

Brent
Dyke
Frost, A.
Hewat
Leeming
Lloyd
Puffer
Worthington

Richard Booth, director

Robert Phelps, accompanist

Donald Hart, manager



Director Booth

BARITONES

Banning
Batchelder
Cuyler, J.
Daly, W.
Hansen
Rex
Richardson
Skillman
Vant

BASSES

Bang
Cantus, H.
Carnwath
Coleman, J.
Finch, J.
Hart
Moorman
Pritchard
Turner
White

The Glee Club, under the able direction of Mr. Booth, had a good but somewhat limited season this year. A scheduled joint concert with the Low-Heywood School Glee Club was cancelled because of the weather.

Besides performing for the student body and assorted faculty members the Glee Club sang before capacity crowds at the Playhouse on both Mothers' and Fathers' Weekends. The selections included "Holy Lord of All," two Negro spirituals, "Old Man Noah" and "Rock-a-My-Soul," "Let Us Now Praise Famous Men," "Thank We All Our God," and "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen" and "Come Back to Sorrento," two solos sung by Peter True.

Fourteen boys selected from the Glee Club took part in the second Annual Spring

Choral Festival held in Hartford on April 24. A combined total of 570 voices from surrounding secondary schools put on a program featuring Bach's Cantata No. 4, "Christ Lag In Todesbanden," and the Coronation Scene from Moussorgsky's Boris Godunov.



The Hartford Group

Judge Woodward



PUBLIC SPEAKING

In the fall the Public Speakers attended two forums. The first, held at Newtown High School, was concerned with different phases of the McCarthy problem. The second forum, held at the Hotel McAlpin in New York City, delved into some of the different fields of opportunities open to modern youth.

On January 18 the society debated

against Kent School. The question under consideration was, "Resolved: that the federal government should own and control radio and television facilities in the United States." Both the negative and affirmative teams for South Kent lost.

February 9th the Club held a second debate with Canterbury on the same topic as the first debate with Kent. The contest ended in a tie, with the affirmative side winning for South Kent, and the negative side losing to the Canterbury affirmative side.

Bob Hastings, the only representative from South Kent in this year's American Legion contest was eliminated in the early rounds held at Thomaston when he placed second out of a

group of three contestants.

Soon after the Spring Term began the public speakers attended a forum at Thomaston High School to take part in a group discussion which covered the problems of the schools, communities, and families, in building better homes.

Those active in public speaking were Bob Hastings, Shawhan Fox, Jack Coleman, Alan Pease, George Turner, and John Brent. However, all except for two of the above were new to the club, so the quality of speaking was not so high as in recent years.

The thanks of the Public Speaking Group must go to Mr. Woodward and Doc Henry for their advice and interest.

Doctor Henry

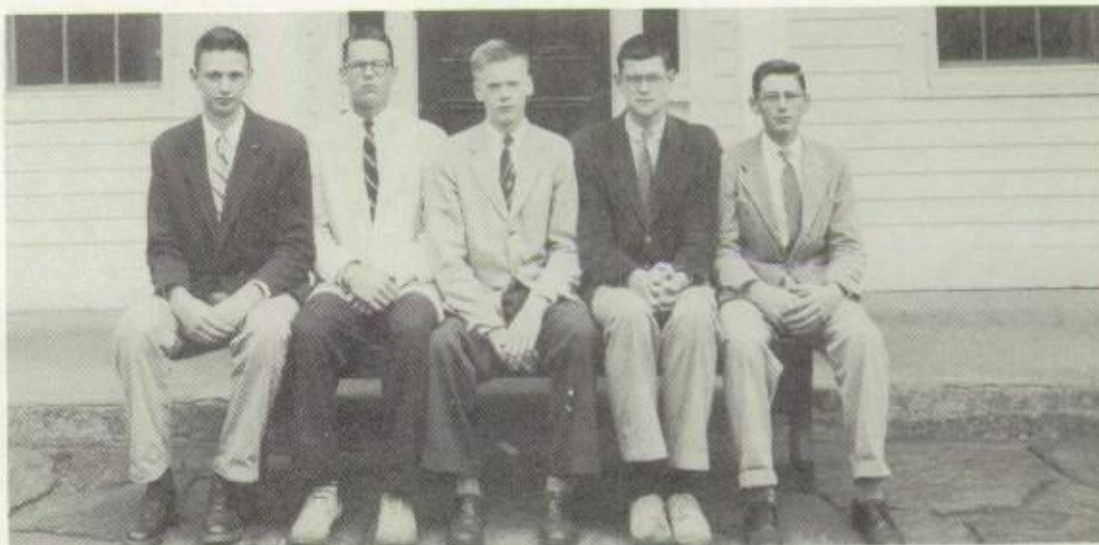


CHESS

The Record

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| South Kent....1 | Millbrook4 |
| South Kent....2 | Viewpoint3 |
| South Kent....2 | Wooster3 |
| South Kent....4 | Canterbury ..1 |
| South Kent....2 | Viewpoint3 |
| South Kent....1½ | Wooster3½ |
| South Kent....3 | Canterbury ..2 |
| South Kent.... ½ | Millbrook4½ |

This year the Chess Team enjoyed a rather mediocre season in the Gambit League. Although Captain Fox had an excellent record of six wins, one loss, and one draw, the rest of the team did not seem able to do too well. The final season's record stood at two wins and six defeats, and the Gambit League finished in the following order: Wooster, Millbrook, Canterbury, South Kent, Viewpoint.



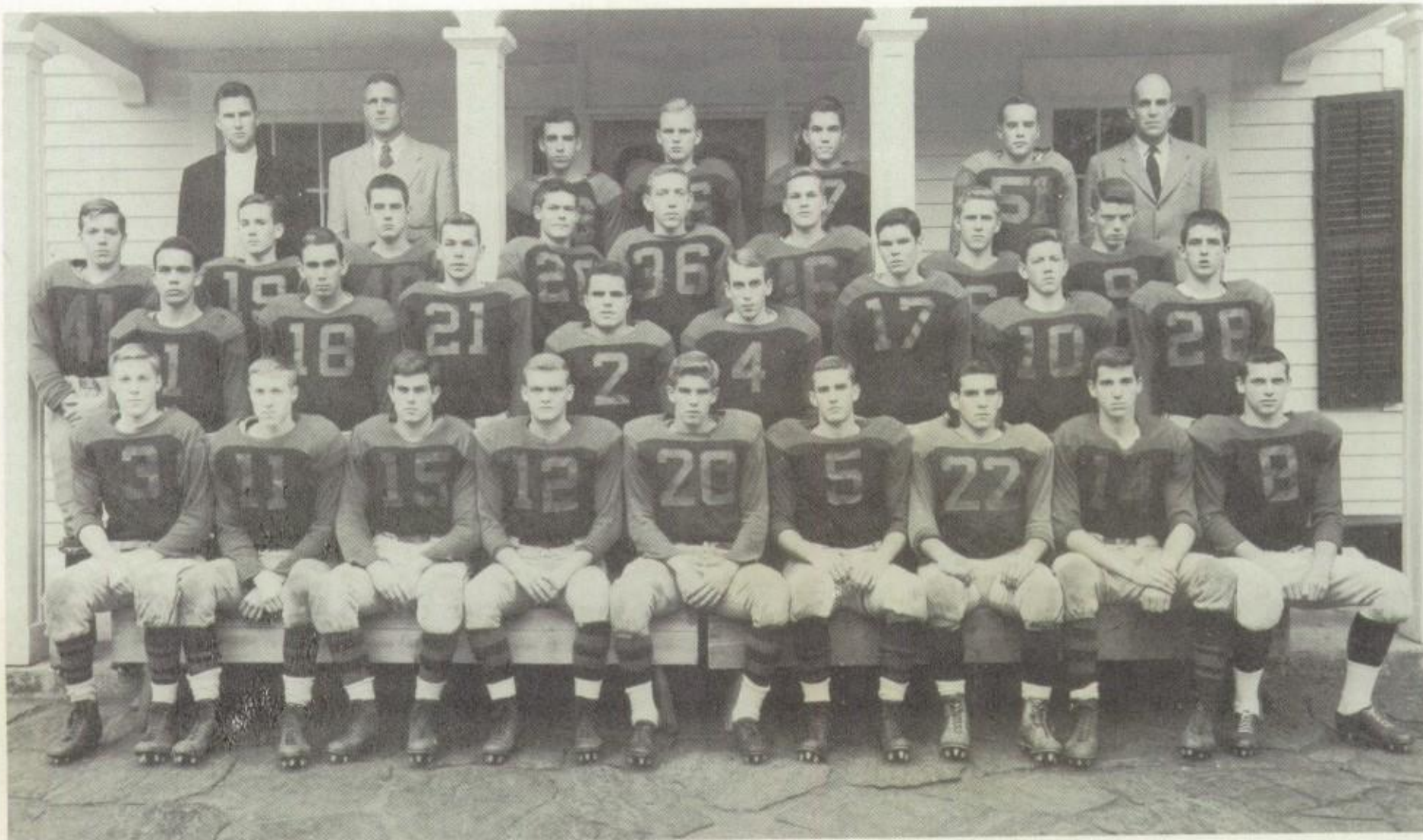
Agate, Hyatt, Fox, Cuyler, J., Allen

Fox and Hyatt were the only returning members from last year's team, so 1955 found several new faces on the team in John Cuyler, Agate, and Allen. Baldwin, Jim Finch, and Pete Lee also played in several matches.

Mr. Wittenberg handled the team this year in Mr. Whittemore's absence. A fair amount of interest among the younger boys shows promise for the future.



ATHLETICS



Back row: Manager Phelps, Coach Wister, Hart, White, Hastings, Lanham, Coach Brown.
 Third row: Rex, Butterworth, Carnwath, Lovell, Cantus, H., Welch, F., True, Pritchard.
 Second row: Finch, J., Lee, R., Hansen, Ober, Puffer, Gibbons, R., Richardson, Mathews, M.
 Front row: Taylor, W., Taylor, C., Rush, Williams, Captain Daly, Vant, Skillman, Allan, Richmond.

THE FOOTBALL SEASON

South Kent's 1954 football squad completed the season with one victory and one tie in seven games. Coached by Mr. Brown and Mr. Wister, the team was hampered by an inability to win close games; they lost two by one point, two by one touchdown. Nevertheless the team played some inspired ball. For the first time since 1946 a South Kent eleven equalled, if not surpassed, a Simsbury squad.

At South Kent on the second of October, Berkshire defeated the team 13-7. The visitors romped sixty yards for six points on four plays after they had returned the opening kickoff. South Kent registered in the third period and went ahead on Gibbon's unorthodox place kick, but this was balanced when Berkshire fell on a loose ball on the home team's twenty yard line to set up the winning touchdown.

Failure to make extra points caused our loss to Millbrook. Both teams scored once in the first half, and Millbrook once in the third period for a 13-6 lead. The Cardinal and Black retaliated after an eighty yard march, but the conversion attempt was blocked and Millbrook emerged victorious 13-12.



Coach Brown



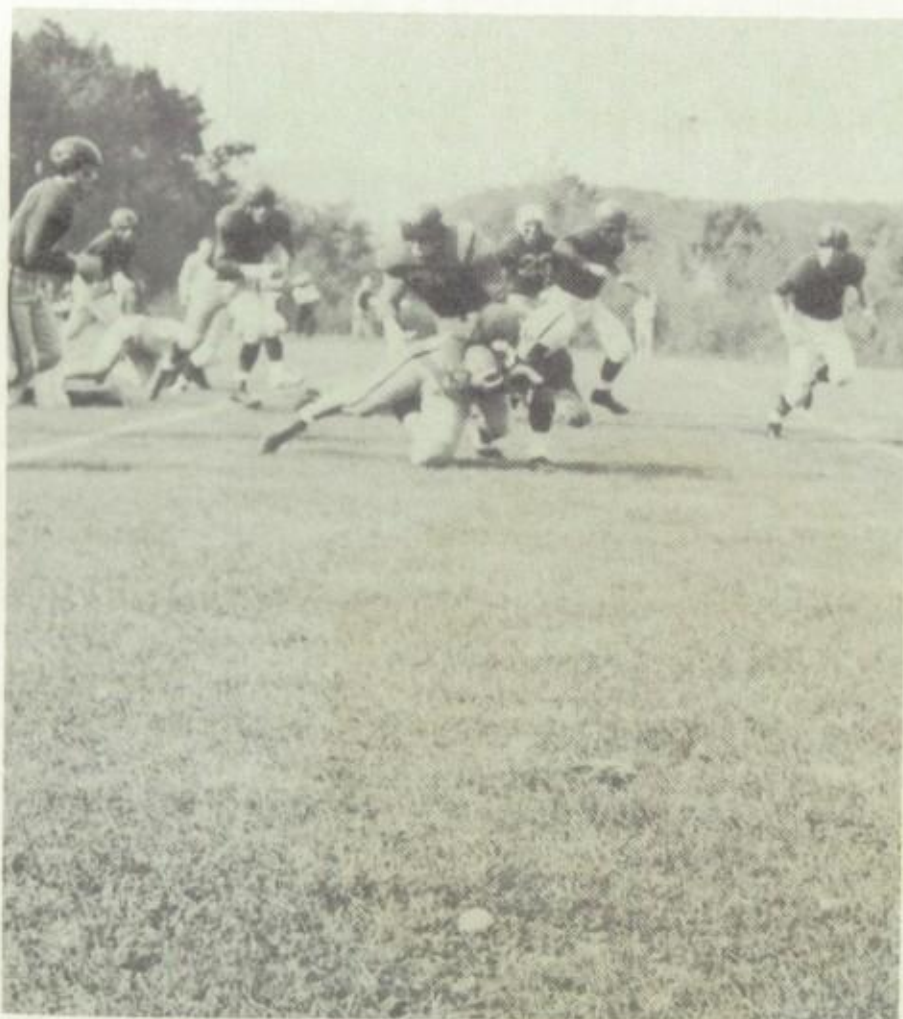
Coach Wister



Captain Daly



Manager Phelps



Darrow stopped

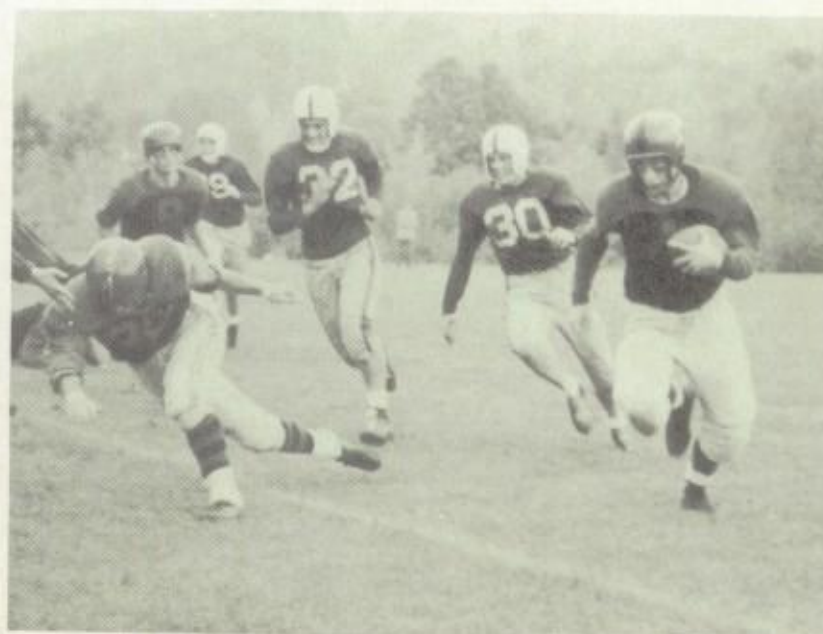
The following Saturday the first team gained its only win of the season over Wooster 13-6. A punt blocked by Tom Allan paved the way for the first SKS score. A forty yard pass in the fourth quarter gave Wooster a 7-6 advantage, but South Kent regained the lead, with only three minutes remaining, on a perfect pass from Daly to Richmond. Dave Ober played a major role in the victory with his fine runs.

The following week the contingent traveled to Simsbury to tie Westminster 6-6. The home team recovered a fumble and took the lead in the first five plays of the game. Both teams battled evenly from then on until the second half, when South Kent took the offensive and scored on a touchdown pass from Daly to Charlie Taylor. The Cardinal and Black had the ball on Westminster's three yard line, first and ten, when the game ended.

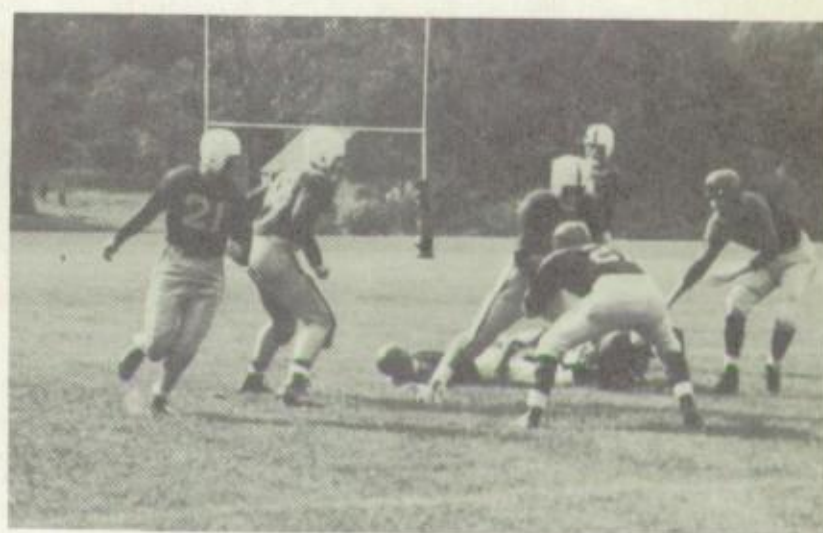
Although the SKS team played on an even keel with a strong Salisbury eleven in the second half of the next game, Salisbury's early two goal lead was too much to overcome. Score: 20-7.

Due to Canterbury's quarantine, the team played Darrow November sixth. Their team, undefeated for two years, marched eighty yards for its first score and scored again after a third period fumble. South Kent's lone tally came in the last period. Score: 13-7.

On November the thirteenth we met our traditional rival, The Gunnery, at South Kent. The visitors piled up fourteen points by half time with two fourth down end runs and two fumble recoveries. It was not until the fourth quarter that South Kent's offense began to move. An eighty yard march and two long passes gave South Kent thirteen points. Unfortunately, before we gained possession of the ball again, the game and the season came to an end.



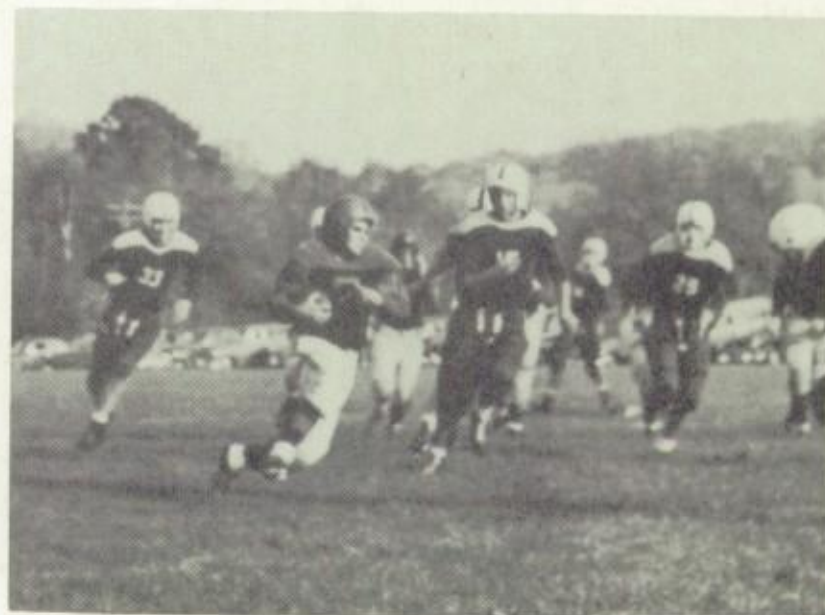
End run by Puffer, Daly blocks.



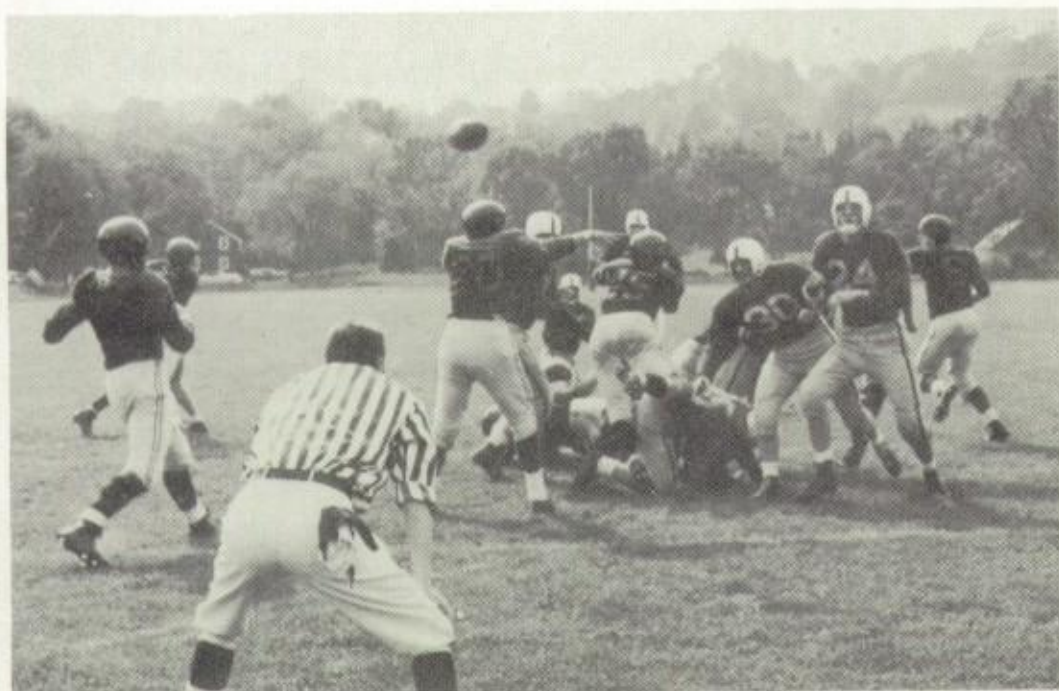
Hansen and Gibbons stop Wooster.



Billy Taylor gets his man.



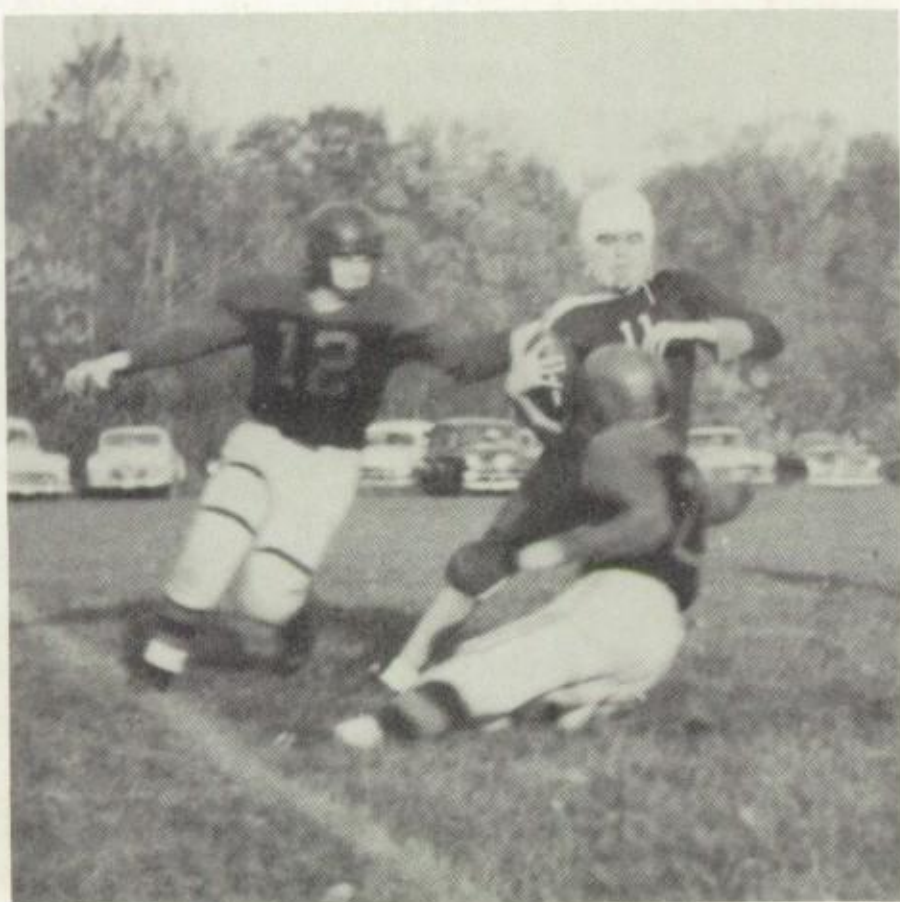
Ober around end



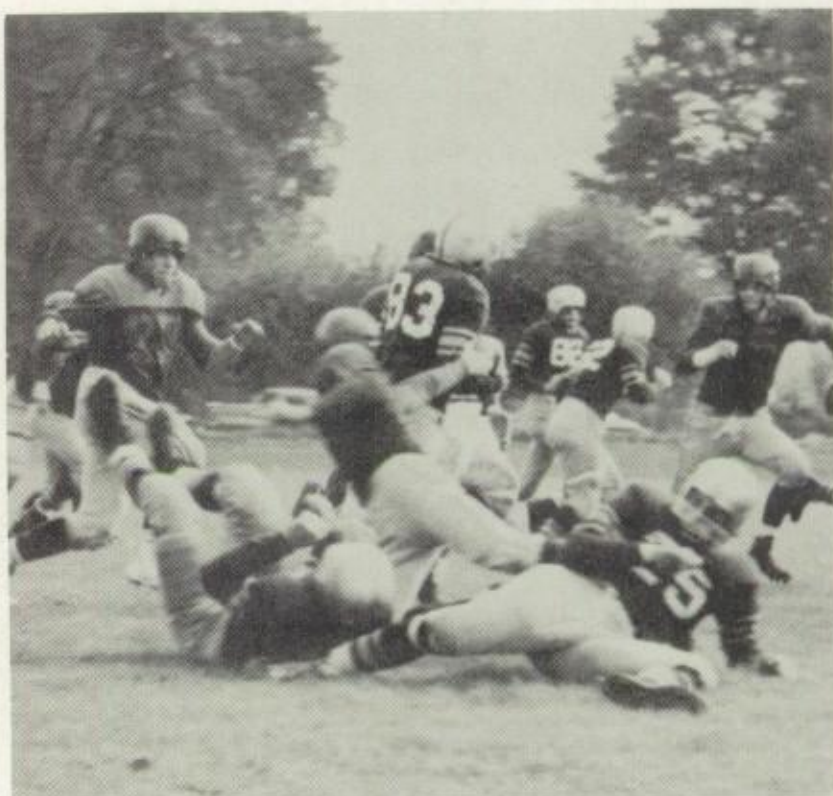
Daly passes.



Contortions



Come to Papa.



South Kent stops Darrow's line plunge.



Lee, Rush, Puffer, and Billy Taylor about to nail Berkshire



Back row: Coach Humphreys, Puffer, Cuyler, L., Frost, N., Mathews, M., Tulloch, Sanford, Lanham.
Front row: Daly, J., Taylor, W., Ober, Captain Daly, Lloyd, Taylor, C., Skillman.

THE HOCKEY SEASON

This year's hockey team completed its season with a record of six wins and seven losses. In his first year as head coach Mr. Humphreys fashioned a good team from a group which supposedly boasted very little potential.

The first game of the season was played against a fast, well-organized Taft sextet on January the twelfth on the lake rink. The visitors emerged victorious 9-0. In our next contest, we were victims to our traditional rival Kent, who won 6-2 on the strength of four third-period goals. On January the nineteenth South Kent started a three game winning streak. They subdued Trinity-Pawling 2-0, Westminster 4-1, and Gunnery 7-2 without much difficulty. This good hockey was counteracted by two close successive defeats at the hands of Berkshire 4-2 and Hotchkiss 4-3. In the latter battle especially though, South Kent dominated the play. A sharp Salisbury six met defeat here February the fourth. Bud Daly's "hat trick" paced the team to a well played 4-3 success. The following contest against Choate was a heart-breaker. Trailing 3-1, the Wallingford boys tallied three times in the final three minutes to win 4-3. Unfortunately this was pursued by another set-

back to Kent in a return game similar to the first. Kent broke a prevailing 3-3 deadlock with three goals in the final period to win 6-4. Against Canterbury the Cardinal and Black met with success and snapped the opposition's seven game victory string. Malcom Lloyd led the scoring with three goals. The following Saturday, South Kent played a marvelous game against Taft. Taft, unbeaten in prep school play, was held to a 2-1 advantage before they amassed three final period scores. The team concluded its season February twenty-sixth with a strong 5-1 victory over Lenox.

Bud Daly, Peter Ober, and Malcom Lloyd played a sparkling brand of hockey on the first line, while Charlie and Billy Taylor based their strategy on teamwork and deception and formed a reliable defense. Jimmy Daly, although inexperienced in first team hockey, did a good job in the goal.



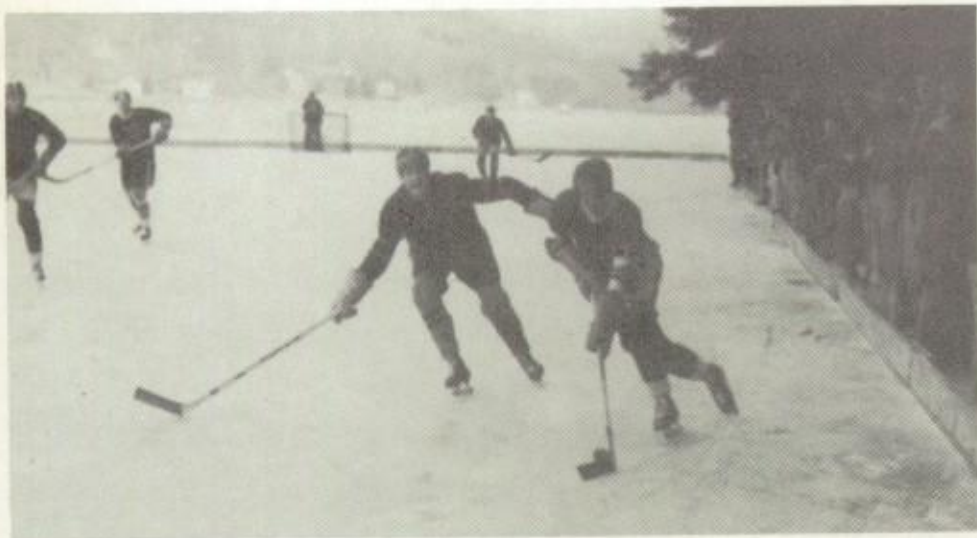
Coach Humphreys



Captain Daly



Manager Lanham



Daly skates around Canterbury.



Charlie Taylor fires at Trinity-Pawling



Tulloch and Ober against Salisbury



Ober against Kent



Daly nudges one in.



face-off



Billy Taylor fakes out Choate.



Jimmy Daly in the cage.



Back row: Daly, J. C., Williams.
 Second row: Coach Adkins, Tulloch, Richardson, Cantus, H., Dyke, Manager Lavino, J.
 Front row: Lee, R. B., Price, Richmond, Taylor, C., Taylor, W., Daly, W. J., Welch, F., Frost, N.

THE BASEBALL SEASON

The 1955 baseball team enjoyed an extremely successful season as it copped the Connatonic Baseball League Championship and compiled a record of ten victories against two defeats.

South Kent won its first two contests, defeating Berkshire 5-1 and Salisbury 3-2. In both contests South Kent was compelled to come from behind to win. Although outhit in these games the squad displayed fine fielding and an ability to play alert ball. On April 30 this brand of ball playing slacked off enough to let Canterbury, with the assistance of five South Kent errors, defeat us 7-4. Three days later we defeated Westminster 6-3, as the hitting attack amassed eleven hits. On Fathers' Weekend, after a 3-1 victory over The Gunnery, the Cardinal and Black lost to Wooster 5-4 in a fourteen inning marathon. With the score tied 3-3 Wooster tallied twice in the top half of the fourteenth inning. South Kent could only counter with one despite the fact that there were runners left on second and third for the final two outs.

Stirred up by this unexpected defeat, the team rebounded to win its final six games. Although limited to a one hit game at Berkshire, walks and good base running contributed to a 4-0 victory. In a return game with Canterbury the following Saturday, SKS trampled the opponents 17-1. This game was followed by an easy 7-3 triumph over Millbrook and a well played 7-0 win over Westminster. The latter game clinched the championship for the team at the earliest date possible. The seven inning 11-3 victory over Wooster pro-

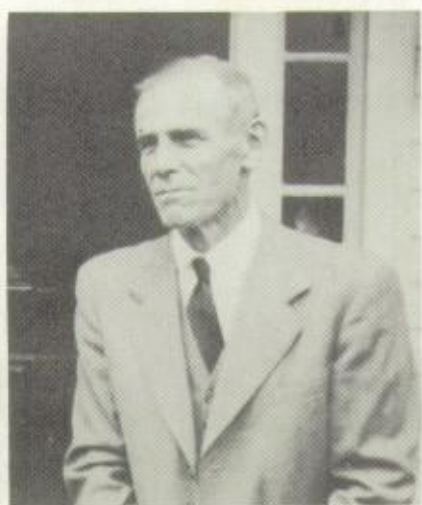
duced South Kent's largest batting attack — fourteen hits. Finally on May 21, the squad concluded its season with a strong 4-2 win over Salisbury.

The success of the team can be attributed to several different factors. The squad exhibited tremendous batting strength, boasting over one hundred hits, thirty of which were for extra bases. Seven lettermen returned from last year, including pitcher Bud Daly. Finally, under the excellent guidance of Mr. Adkins, the squad throughout the campaign showed a wonderful spirit which we hope will be inherent in future South Kent teams.

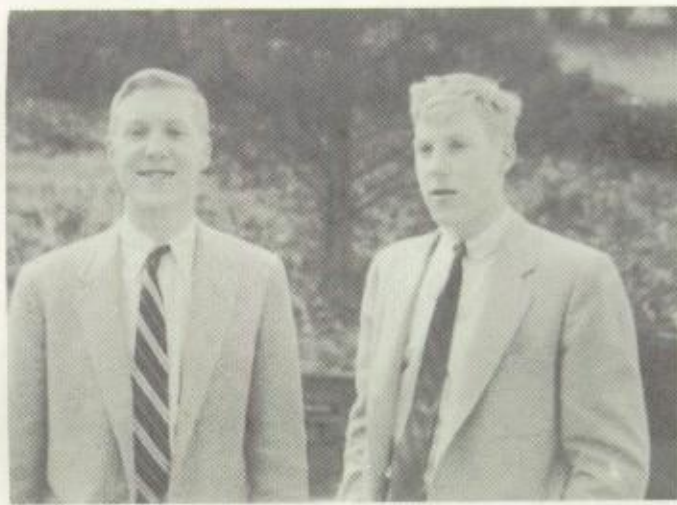
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|-------------|----|----|----|-----|------|-------|
| Daly, W. | 44 | 11 | 18 | 11 | .409 | .975 |
| Taylor, W. | 43 | 12 | 12 | 10 | .279 | .972 |
| Frost, N. | 38 | 12 | 10 | 7 | .263 | .861 |
| Richmond | 42 | 5 | 15 | 16 | .358 | .980 |
| Welsh, F. | 46 | 11 | 13 | 9 | .283 | .918 |
| Tulloch | 21 | 8 | 3 | 4 | .143 | 1.000 |
| Taylor, C. | 43 | 6 | 11 | 2 | .256 | 1.000 |
| Price | 26 | 3 | 5 | 7 | .192 | .807 |
| Lee, R. | 33 | 2 | 7 | 0 | .212 | .825 |
| Richardson | 22 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .091 | 1.000 |
| Williams | 11 | 4 | 5 | 1 | .455 | 1.000 |
| Daly, J. C. | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .000 | .800 |
| Cantus, H. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1.000 |



Coach Adkins



Coach Bartlett



Captains Charlie and Billy Taylor



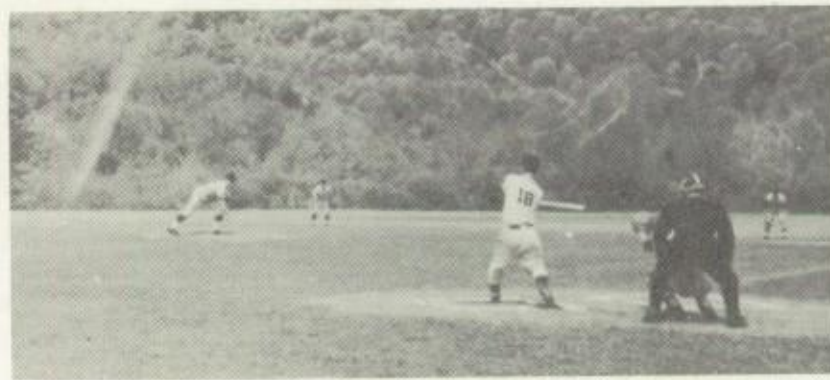
Manager Lavino



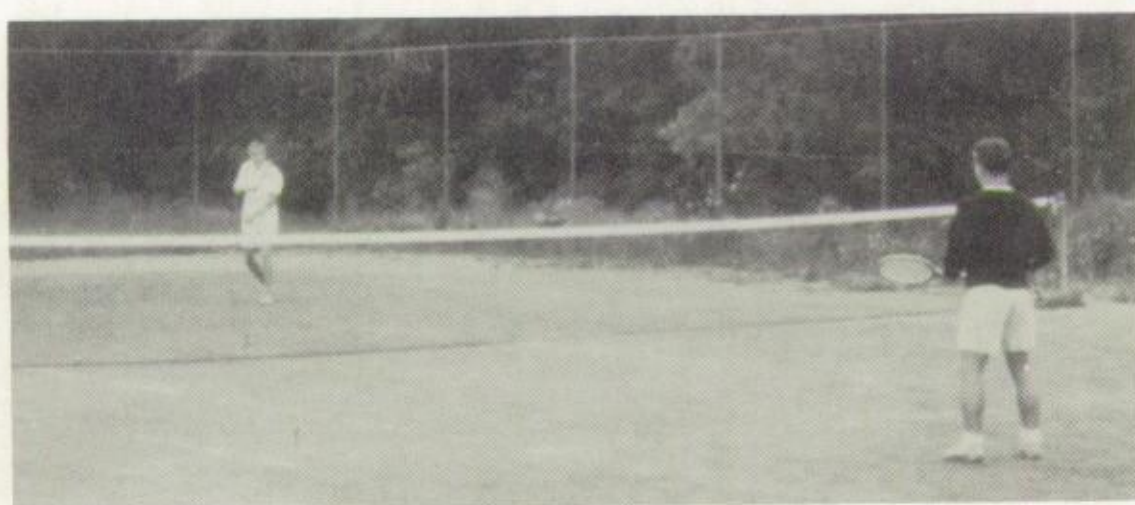
Frost gets a hit.



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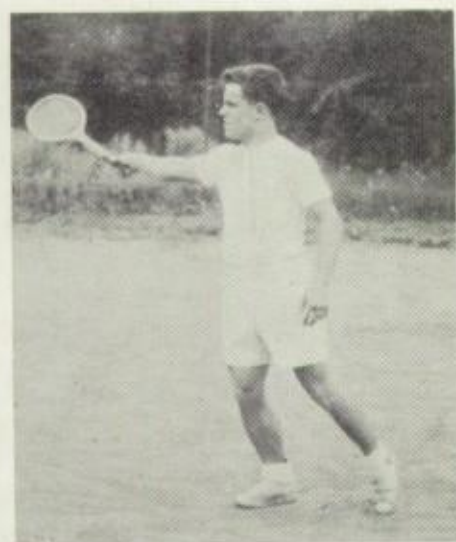
A once-in-a-lifetime happening



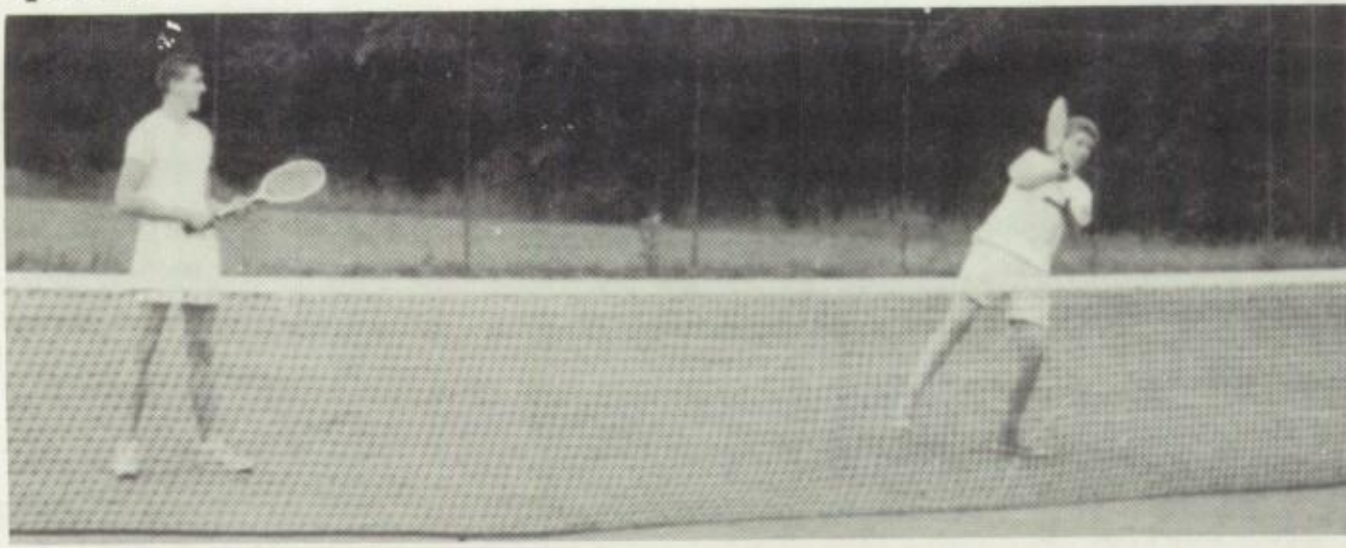
Afternoon practice



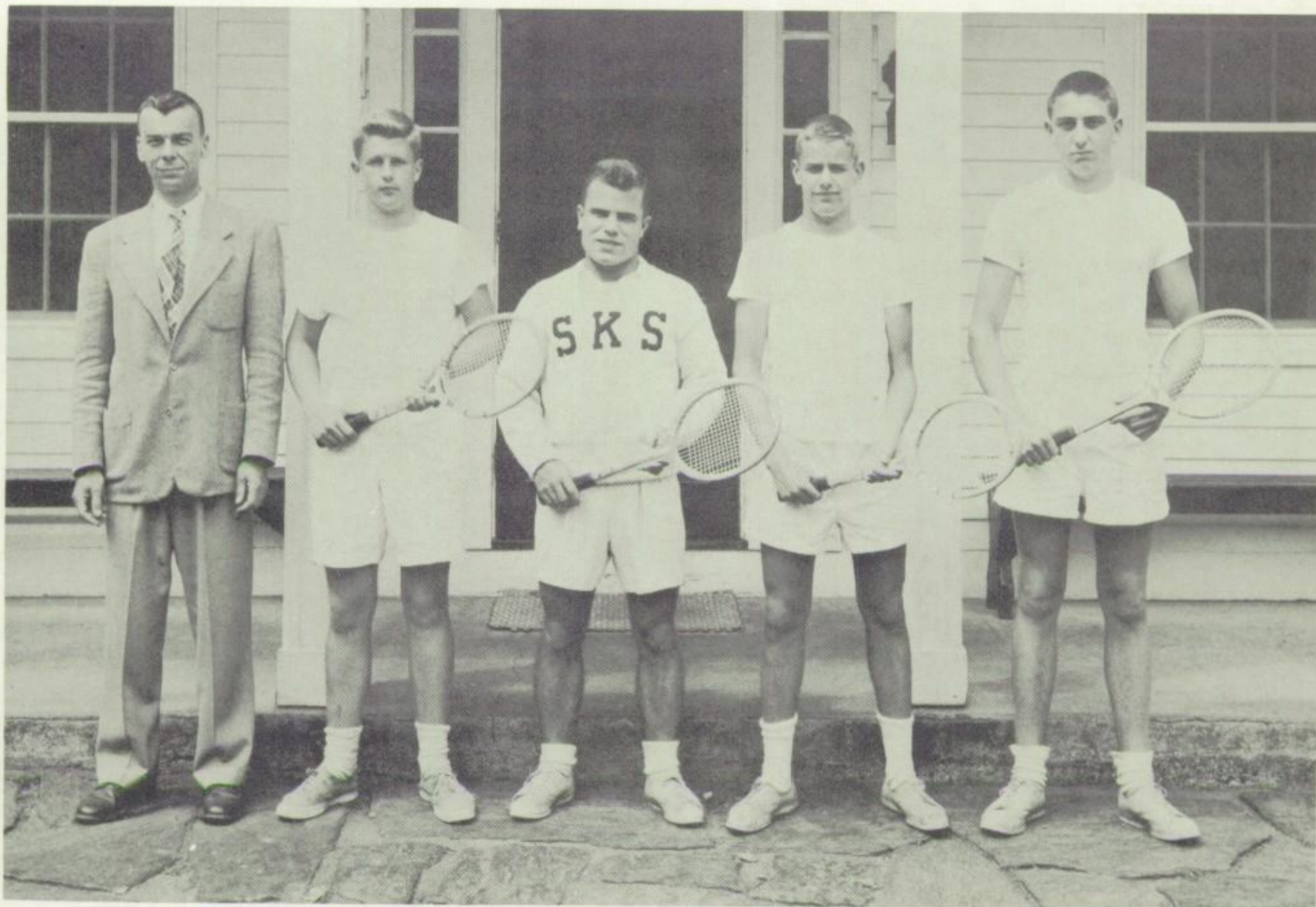
Forehand by 2 man Jenks



Backhand by 1 man Ober



Second doubles team: Wolfe and Mathews



Coach Waller, Mathews, A., Captain Ober, Jenks, Wolfe. Absent: Coach Humphreys, Puffer.

THE TENNIS SEASON

The inexperienced tennis squad did not win a single match this spring. The team lost to Millbrook, Wooster, Gunnery, Canterbury, Trinity-Pawling, Berkshire, and Lenox.

This record was somewhat to be expected, as Captain and number-one man Dave Ober was the only letterman returning to the squad, and he had to adjust from playing the four position last year to playing in the first slot this season. The number-two position was held down by Nick Jenks, who lost all his matches save the final one, in which he defeated his Lenox opponent. Nick shows signs of being a good asset to future South Kent teams after he has had a little more experience. Number three man was Al Mathews. He did not win any matches, but also should be very good in the next few years. Dick Puffer, playing the four position, showed a great deal of improvement as the season went on, and after losing all his other matches, tied his final game at Lenox. Five man George Wolfe also lost all his games except for the Lenox match, which he tied. Ober and Jenks played the first doubles while different combinations of Puffer, Mathews, and Wolfe made up the second doubles team. Both of these improved greatly over the season but were unable to win any matches.

With both the number two and three men looking forward to two more years at South Kent, and the five man anticipating one more, the prospects look better for the future.



Coach Waller



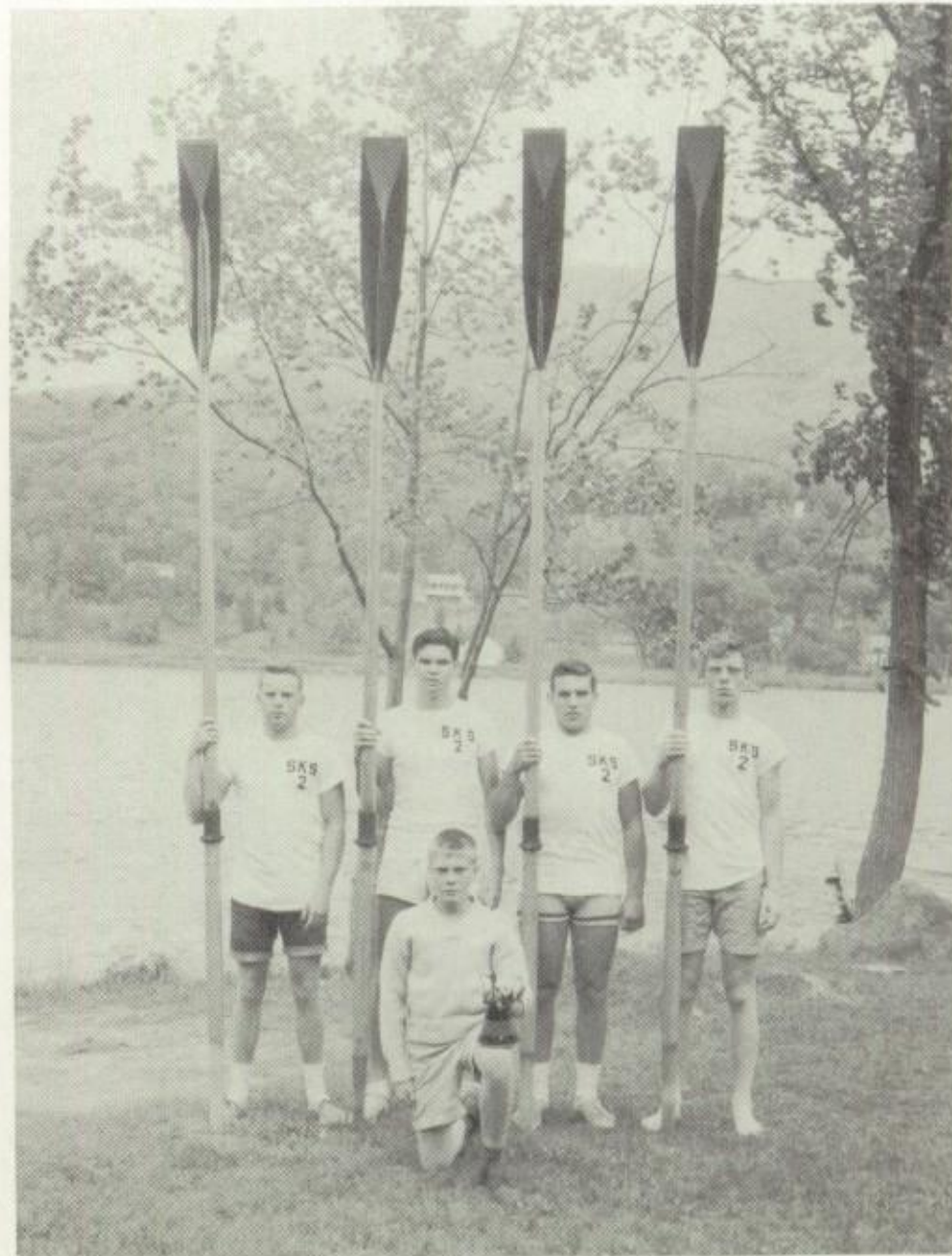
Coach Humphreys



Captain Ober



THE FIRST BOAT
Captain Hart, Allan, Vant, Hansen,
Cox, Frost, A.



THE SECOND BOAT
Lanham, Gibbons, R., Skillman, Coleman, F.
Cox, Haines.

THE CREW SEASON



Captain Hart



Coach Wister



Coach Dingman

The 1955 crew season was marked by keen competition and the good spirit which has been characteristic of past seasons. With only three returning lettermen, the squad was hampered by a definite lack of experience which was apparent against the unusually rugged opposition. Tribute however should be paid to Messrs. Wister, Dingman, Small, and Smith for developing the crews into smooth outfits.

The first boat, which was composed of Don Hart at stroke, Tom Allan, Denny Vant, and John Hansen, with Archie Frost as cox, improved as the season progressed. Despite two early season defeats to a powerful Gunnery squad, they defeated St. Mark's and the Yale 150 pound crew. These were followed by two close losses. On Saturday May 14th Salisbury emerged victorious by three-quarters of a length over a three-quarter mile race. The following Saturday both Choate and Pomfret edged South Kent as all three boats finished within a half length of each other. The boat dropped its next race to Poughkeepsie High School by two lengths and the Wednesday after, it beat Arlington High School. In the annual regatta at Lake Quinsigamond the boys placed seven out of nine.

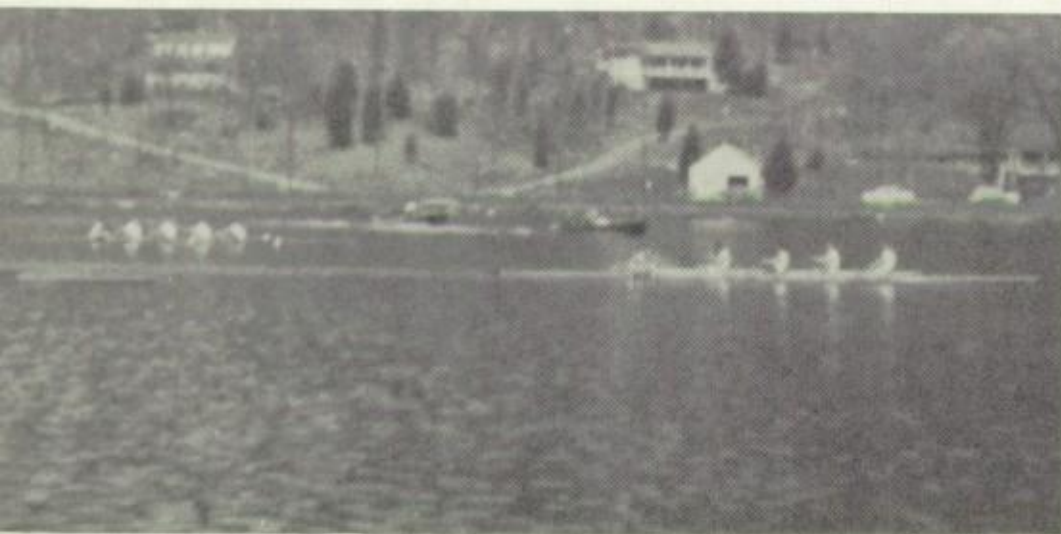
The second boat, originally the fourth, exemplified the driving spirit of the crew. During the beginning of the racing season they occupied the position of third boat. In this slot they suffered setbacks to Gunnery twice while defeating St. Mark's,



Waiting for the Spectator Launch



The First Boat



Go, South Kent!



The Third Boat

Salisbury, and Avon Old Farms. At this point, after several time trials, they advanced to the second boat position where they compiled victories over Arlington and Poughkeepsie High Schools on the Hudson before dropping the Pomfret race. At the Quinsigamond Regatta they placed 8 out of 12. The boat, consisting of Jack Coleman at stroke, David Skillman, Robert Gibbons, and Tim Lanham, with Haines as stroke, deserves credit for the fine contribution it made to the crew's season.

The third boat, when rowing as the second, defeated St. Mark's and Avon Old Farms while undergoing losses from The Gunnery twice and Salisbury. As third boat they were outrawed by Pomfret. This crew boasted two fourth formers, stroke Alan Pease and bow Malcolm Lloyd, and two sixth formers, number two man, Charlie Ried, and number three, Jim Lovell. It was coxed capably by Peter Finch. The third boat remained a constant threat to the second, and enlivened the season's spirit and intramural competition.



Manager Wilkinson



Coach Small



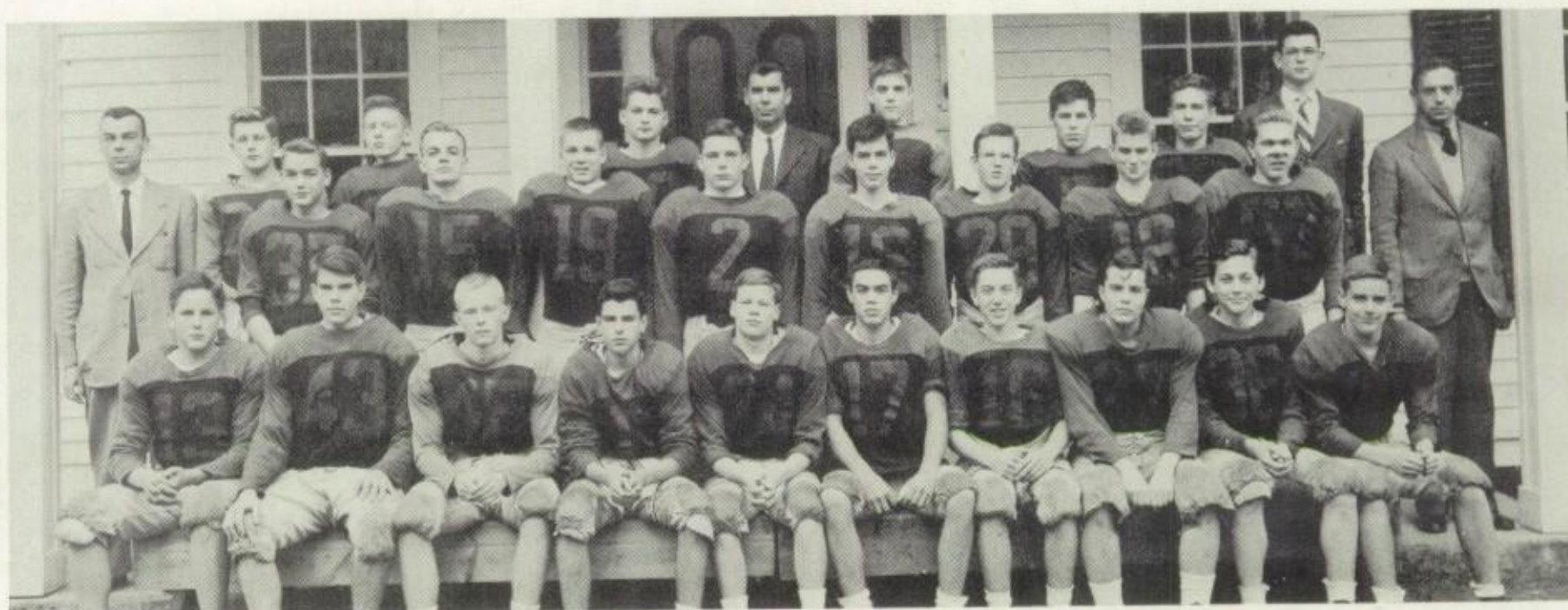
Coach Smith

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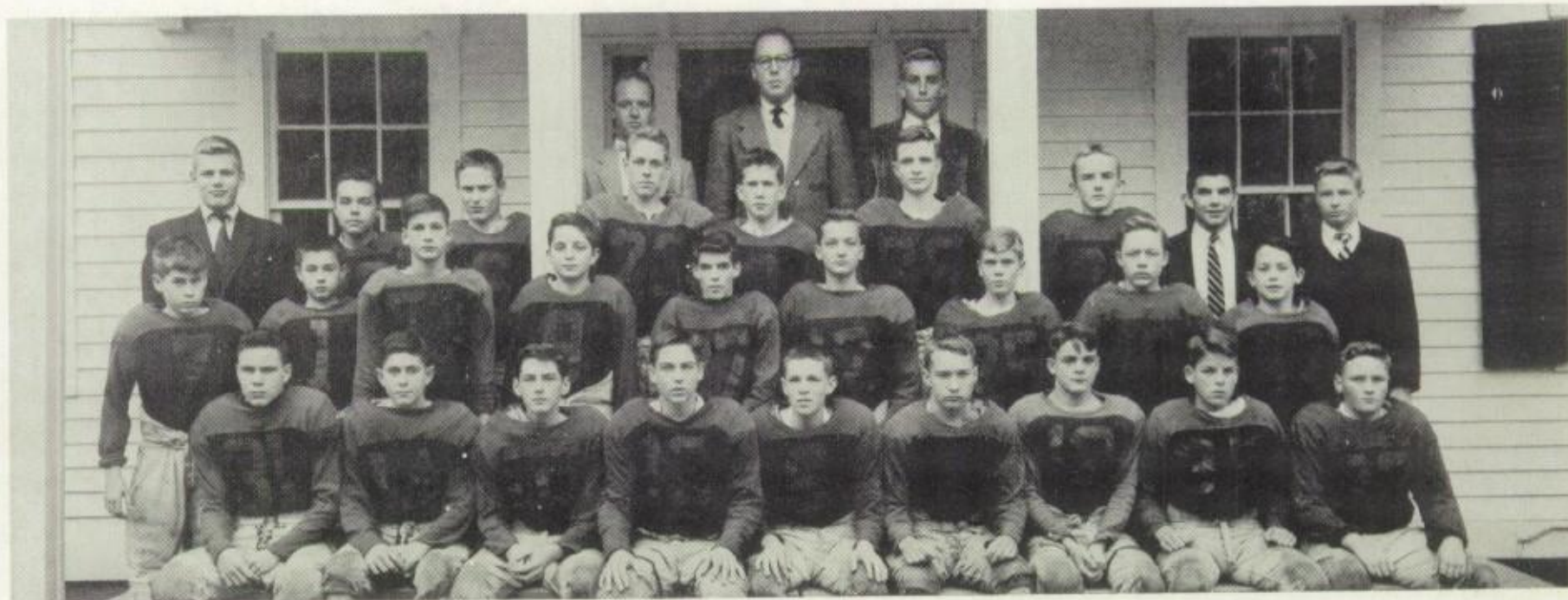
Back row: Brent, Seaberg, Bang.
 Third row: Coach Adkins, Wilkinson, Taylor, K., Carter, Agate, Hill, Kellam, Banning, Lavino, Coach Dingman.
 Second row: Severance, Callender, Hyatt, Gibbons, L., Lloyd, Moody, Kemper, Sanford, Peabody, M., Manager Lee, P.
 First row: Young, Wheelock, Price, Frost, N. (Co-Captain); Peabody, G. (Co-Captain); Worthington, Daly, J., Coleman.

K I D G E T S

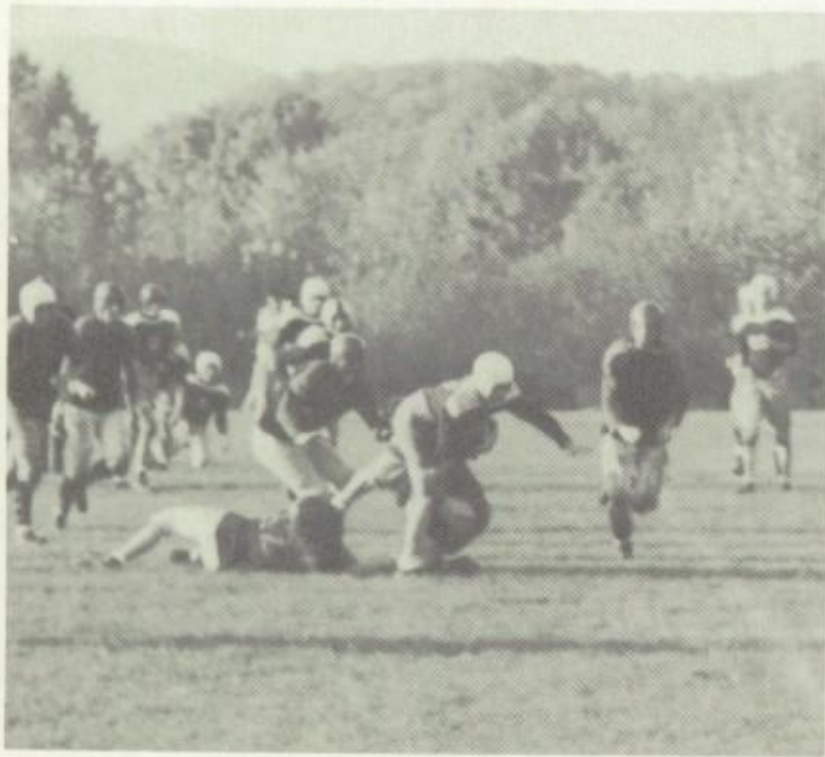


Back row: Coach Waller, Mathews, A., Coleman, F., Waldner, Coach Smith, Goddard, Chatfield, Moon, G.
 Manager Cuyler, J., Coach Goode.
 Second row: Hamel, Triplett, Pierpont, Smith, Elliott, Madara, Norris, Woodward.
 Front row: Frost, J., Pease, Gravereaux, J., Cuyler, L., Farr (Captain); Lee, P., Cantus, R., Jones, Welch, J., Jenks.

M I D G E T S



Back row: Coach Small, Coach Humphreys, Dickerson.
 Third row: Coach Reid, Stuart, Ingham, Monck, Heuss, Kelly, Newman, Coach Dyke, Manager Ermentrout.
 Second row: Patitz, Gravereaux, S., McDougal, Posselt, Hines, Mullener, Haines, Schwartz, Richards.
 Front row: Moon, P., Maybach, Allen, Tracy, Leeming (Captain); Merrill, Finch, P., Frost, A., Baldwin.



Gibbons, L. makes the tackle.



Frost, N. receives

LOWER TEAM SPORTS

FOOTBALL

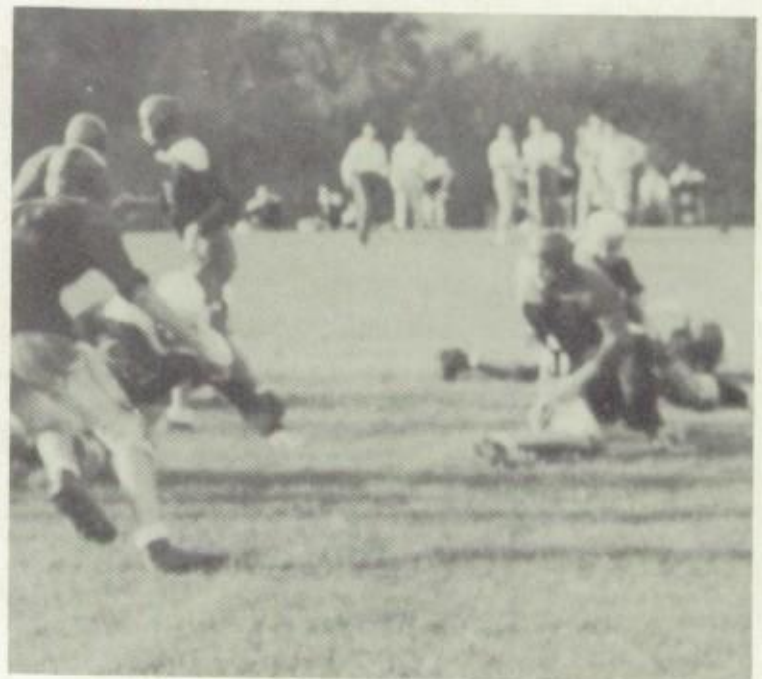
The lower football squads counter-balanced the first team's poor record by consistently producing winning performances. The Kids, Kidgets, and Midgets all compiled successful records, certainly a bright omen for the future.

The Kid team, under the aegis of Mr. Dingman and Mr. Adkins won three of its four games. Throughout the campaign it received sparkling play from Price, Daly, Wheelock, and Gill Peabody in the backfield and Nick Frost, Len Gibbons, Hyatt, Callender, and Worthington in the line. The team opened with a well-played victory over Wooster as Severance and quarterback Jim Daly scored touchdowns in the second and fourth periods. The following week the squad dropped its sole defeat to a spirited Berkshire contingent. Although the Kids held a 7-6 lead at the half, the Sheffield visitors rallied for three touchdowns and a safety to win 27-7. A much improved team trounced Salisbury November the fifth 12-0 on touchdowns by Wheelock and Price. The team concluded its season by edging The Gunnery. The opponents scored twice within the first five minutes but the Kids overcame this lead to capture a 20-19 edge by the half. Gunnery, however, regained the lead on a third period touchdown. This set the stage for a great rally and a victory, with only three minutes remaining, 27-26. Price displayed remarkable aerial skill as he completed fifteen out of seventeen passes.

The Kidgets, under the tutelage of Messrs. Goode, Waller, and Smith, posted a record of one loss and

two ties. They opened the season against Westminster in a defensive clash played in extremely muddy conditions. The game terminated in a deadlock, although on the final play of the game Cuyler completed a pass to Jenks on the one yard line. The Kidgets came from behind the next week to tie Berkshire 13-13 on a third period touchdown by Peter Lee. Although they commanded a 14-7 half-time lead The Gunnery rallied to score twice and spoil the team's undefeated season. Final score: 21-14. John Farr, Legaré, Cuyler, and Peter Lee sparked the backfield.

Coaches Humphreys and Small molded the Midgets into a neat outfit. Despite two defeats to Millbrook 7-0 and Wooster 24-7, the Mites improved vastly as the fall progressed. They finished with impressive victories over Indian Mountain 13-12, Rumsey Hall 38-0, and The Gunnery 26-0. Tracy, Leeming, Merrill, Moon, P., Swartz, and Allen showed much promise for future years.



Wooster courier is fed to the lions.



HOCKEY

This winter, with little snow and much cold weather, two basic conditions conducive to skating, intramural hockey flourished. The Leagues and Tri-pods were able to play a remarkable total of sixty-nine games. The teams not only produced a high quality of competitive spirit but also some great possibilities for future South Kent hockey.

The "Ham'n Eggers" played an extensive schedule of six games. The team was made up of a combination of the League's stars, and suffered under the handicap of having no formal practices, but despite this managed to win half its games, with two of the defeats being by only one point. Victories were registered over Westminster 3-2, over Berkshire 5-1, and over Lenox 6-2. Its defeats were suffered to Hotchkiss 7-1, Wooster varsity 3-2, which won on three third period goals, and Kent 4-3 in overtime.

South Kent also skated a Midget team which was composed of Second and Third Formers. These boys, who take their hockey seriously but also have a great deal of fun, played three games. They tied Indian Mountain 0-0 and dropped two exciting games to Rumsey Hall, 2-1.

The managers were Gary Moon and Asa Goddard, while Shawhan Fox was league commissioner.



Hotchkiss mixes it up.



Hansen after the puck

| League Teams | Captains | Place | Games Won | Lost | Tied | Played | Score |
|-----------------|-------------|-------|-----------|------|------|--------|-------|
| Six of Hearts | Hart | 1st | 9 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 19 |
| The Old Men | Phelps | 2nd | 6 | 1 | 5 | 12 | 17 |
| Merry-Makers | Cantus, H. | 3rd | 7 | 4 | 2 | 13 | 16 |
| Gay Blades | Lee, R. B. | 4th | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 14 |
| Men o'War | Hansen | 5th | 5 | 5 | 3 | 13 | 13 |
| Artful Dodgers | Gibbons | 6th | 3 | 5 | 4 | 12 | 10 |
| Rare Birds | Finch, J. | 7th | 0 | 6 | 1 | 13 | 7 |
| Sleepytime Gang | Butterworth | 8th | 1 | 10 | 2 | 13 | 4 |
| TRIPOD TEAMS | | | | | | | |
| Cads | Triplett | 1st | 8 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 18 |
| Hot Shots | Hewat | 2nd | 7 | 5 | 1 | 13 | 15 |
| Happy Hackers | Haines | 3rd | 2 | 10 | 1 | 13 | 5 |

BASEBALL



The Kids were able to win only four of their eleven games this season. They showed themselves capable of playing far better ball, however, as they defeated a strong Trinity-Pawling nine twice. Outstanding players were pitchers Bruce Banning and Bob Sanford, infielders John Farr and Reeve Cantus, and outfielders Jim Finch and Kibby Hyatt. With steadier batting and pitching performances the team would have been a strong contender in their league.

Mr. Goode's Midgets completed their season with an excellent record of seven wins, three defeats, and one tie. On the mound Pat Smith showed promise as did his battery mate Steve Merrill. Infielders Peter Moon, Nate Tracy, and Jim Swartz, outfielders Nick Leeming and John Welch all were instrumental in the team's success. With more knowledge, skill, and experience in the fundamentals of the game, these players will become first class material for the First Team.

KIDS

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| South Kent...8 | Canterbury ...0 |
| South Kent...6 | Trin.-Pawl. ...4 |
| South Kent...7 | Berkshire8 |
| South Kent...7 | Gunnery9 |
| South Kent...2 | Salisbury6 |
| South Kent...5 | Berkshire8 |
| South Kent...4 | Canterbury5 |
| South Kent...2 | Salisbury6 |
| South Kent...3 | Trin.-Pawl.0 |
| South Kent...5 | Gunnery6 |
| South Kent...6 | Kent5 |

MIDGETS

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| South Kent...15 | Wooster7 |
| South Kent...2 | Canterbury1 |
| South Kent...13 | Rum. Hall7 |
| South Kent...4 | Gunnery2 |
| South Kent...13 | Millbrook12 |
| South Kent...3 | Gunnery5 |
| South Kent...4 | New Canaan ..4 |
| South Kent...13 | Ind. Mt.7 |
| South Kent...13 | Trin.-Pawl.2 |
| South Kent...1 | Rum. Hall8 |
| South Kent...8 | Canterbury9 |

CREW



THE THIRD BOAT
Pease, Reid, Lovell, Lloyd
Cox, Finch, P.

Due partly to the fact that only 35 boys went out for crew this spring, the lower boats ended their season with a weak record. A newcomer to the coaching department was Mr. Smith, who helped Mr. Dingman and Mr. Small coach the lower boats.

On May 11th the fourth and fifth boats lost their first race to Salisbury. The following week these boats suffered another setback, at the hands of The Gunnery on Lake Waramaug. In the tri-school regatta on May 28th, both South Kent boats lost to Gunnery and beat Salisbury.



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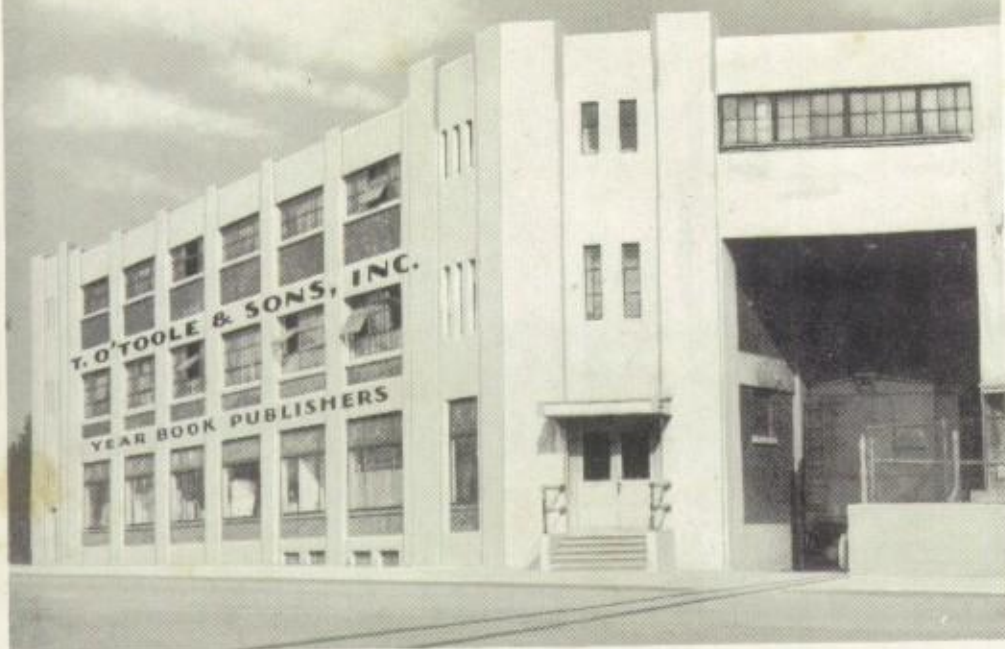
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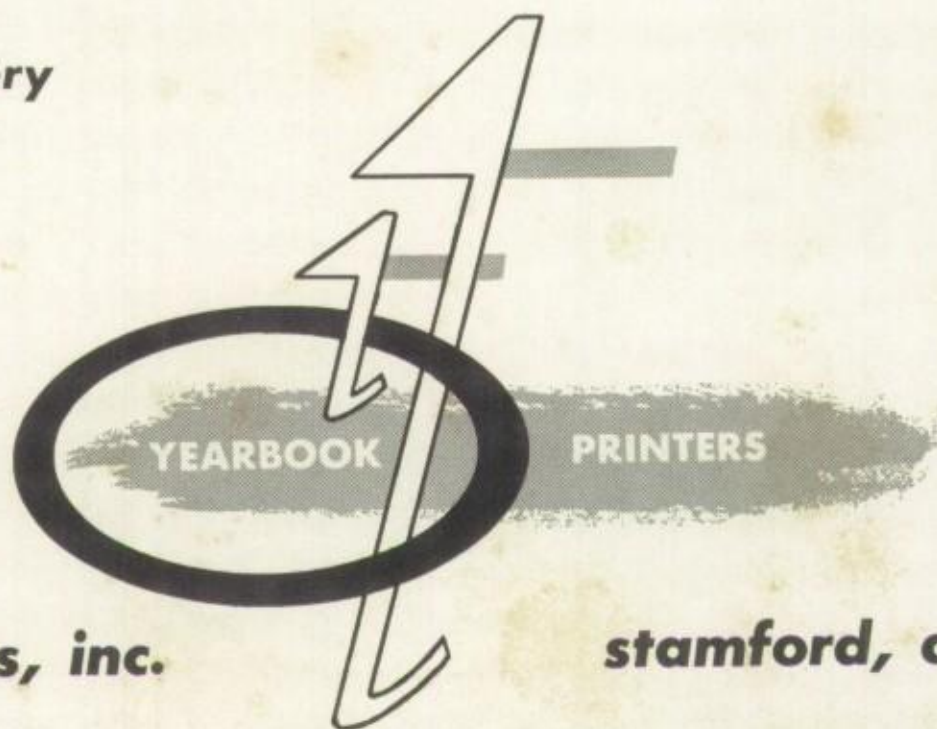
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